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THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
BROADWAY, BETWEEN 155TH AND 156TH STREETS
NEW YORK

June 24th, 1918.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

We have been fairly busy for the past two or three days in a leisurely measured sort of a way. Mr. Newell has been in this afternoon, and it is surprising how much we find has elapsed since his previous visit - only last Thursday.

We have had a number of visitors, and Mr. Wyman is beating me at my game at finding whether they have something they can give us. He is away this afternoon having a tooth mended. I do not mean to imply that he has been testing coins and broke it that way - the fact remains.

You will be very much elated to learn that the Sinking Fund Commissioners have officially notified us of our exemption ~~of~~ the assessment on payment of ten dollars. Mr. Newell and I have been holding a thanksgiving session on the strength of it, and he wants to take it down to Mr. Huntington to flaunt before him as soon as he can get an appointment.

I am enclosing a letter from Washington. Mr. Newell says he saw Mr. Belote a few days ago, and that Mr. Belote was very irate because we have beaten him to what he considered a very brilliant idea of his own - namely an exhibition of Army and Navy Insignia at the Smithsonian.

My brother was called in the draft and left to-day. I went home Saturday afternoon, and again from New Brunswick yesterday, without seeing him. He was having a final fling.

With kind regards to Mrs. Wood. Hope you are taking every means to prevent getting sun stroke.

Very sincerely yours,

Sydney P. Noe

Candidate S. P. Noc

Co L, Coast Artillery Training
Camp
Ft. Monroe, Va.

Dear Mr. Wood:

Above is my address.

We reached here Sunday morning,
and received a very cool welcome
from the weather man. We had
the three blankets assigned us
at Columbia; and two more given
us here, so we managed to
keep warm.

Our barracks is in the course
of completion. It is on the shore
and open to all the winds of
heaven. The food is mighty poor,
and many is the boy who will
be sending home for cookies, etc.
I am to have a math. exam.
tomorrow morning, I believe.
On the strength of the results

I will be assigned permanently to L Company, and the regular work will commence. This, we are told, will require every minute of our time from 5:45 to ten P. M. - not even time to wash one's face occasionally we are told.

Well, the newspapers make it look as though the war was over, and perhaps we shall be working next over when they will release us. Some of the boys after the first cold night and the food they found here wanted to locate the man who named this place Old Point Comfort. There are a lot of fine fellows here and we should have an interesting time of it.

You and Wyman must write me so I do not lose touch. Have Wyman mail me his N.Y. Times and deduct the postage at the end of the month, please.
Yours ever and truly
Sydney P. Noel

PLYMOUTH INN

NORTHAMPTON,
MASSACHUSETTS.

WILLARD A. SENNA, MGR.

Aug. 14 1919

Dear Mr. Wood:

Your letter came yesterday. I have pencilled a reply on the back of Weils letter. If you concur in this question, please have it typed and sign it with my name if you do not want to sign it yourself. I feel we do not want to place the Society under obligation to him. Send him ten bronze medals (due from Weil by the 16th) and the application cards for which he asks. You might sign them in my name if you do not care to sign yourself.

Should you think differently about the silver medals, you might change my letter accordingly, and send him the two that are coming from Weils with the others.

Tuesday we went up Mt Tom, but the day was cloudy. Yesterday we started for a place near Stockbridge but broke down twice on the way. Today it is raining

and all I have succeeded in doing is breaking into the Pillsbury Art Gallery here. What tomorrow may bring forth remains to be seen.

The Plymouth Inn is very comfortable and I like the town very much. The Library is very good and for a place of its size, the opportunities are surprising.

We are planning to get to Williams town in a day or so, and to take another day for Pittsfield. We still have Amherst and Deerfield to work in edgewise. Our present plan is to leave for Templeton Tuesday and to stay there until Saturday.

Regards to Mrs. Wood if she has returned.

Yours ever
Sydney P. Nor

PLYMOUTH INN

NORTHAMPTON,
MASSACHUSETTS.

WILLARD A. SENNA, MGR.

Aug. 16, 1919.

Dear Mr. Wood.

Yours of the 13th at hand.

I cannot see how we can refuse Mr. Adams' request. Would suggest having Mr. Kenell sanction granting it, and then explain his action to Council.

The Vlasto matter will keep until I return. Your suggestion of splitting the Babelon book seems a good one to me - make it in three panels if two are beyond the postal limit. Get rid of one more copy at ^{whatever} cost. Don't let Rich use his intelligence about dividing it - he would take it down to his paper cutter and shear it cross-wise.

Yours ever

Sydney P. Noel

August 20, 1919.

Mr. Sydney P. Noe,
Plymouth Inn,
Northampton, Mass.

Dear Noe:-

Your letter came this morning and the reason you have not heard from me is three fold.

1. Because I had not much of anything to say.
2. Because I didn't want to bother you very much.
3. Because I sent my last letter to you to the Templeton Inn.

I am enclosing a copy of this letter. I will write the Templeton Inn to return the letter I wrote you.

I am sorry to know that Mrs. *Chuter* has not been well and that your trip has not been as successful as it might be. I am glad that you got in one good motor trip.

I will write ^{right} now to Dr. Kunz to see if we can get a hunk of oak for the box. I called up Flanagan the other day and he has the reverse plaster from Weil and was going to send the portrait side the next day. He has just received the photographs from England and they are just what he wanted - evidently they were taken especially for the purpose.

Very truly yours,

(Enclosure.)

Curator.

August 22, 1919.

Mr. Sydney P. Noe,
Woodstock Inn,
Woodstock, Vermont.

Dear Noe:-

In my other letter I wrote I wrote you about
Flanagan. If I get a chance I will try and run down
to see him to-day or to-morrow.

I wrote Kunz and he called me up on the 'phone
yesterday and said that the Oak Tree Albert Edward
planted in Central Park, was an American Elm and that
he has gotten a log from it some feet long by five or
six inches wide and is very anxious to know if he can
make the box as Tiffany & Co. are very excellent wood-
workers. I told him I would have to refer this matter
to you - now if you want this box done let me know a
little bit more about its size, shape, etc. As yet I
have not heard from you concerning my query about Mrs.
Dickey and her medals. Who were you planning to get
these two French ones from?

I have sold quite a number of Peace Medals. Four
are to go to James H. Hyde in Paris and Mehl wants more.
I have recalled all the eight from Berry & Whitmore and
have written Hennegen-Bates Company for theirs but have
not yet got them.

NEVELL WAS IN YESTERDAY AND SEEMED INTERESTED IN THE
SOCIETY.

Very truly yours,

Very truly yours,

August 23, 1910.

Dr. Helen F. Cook
Topsfield, Mass.,
Champlain, Vermont.

My dear Mrs. Cook:

I was down in Tiffany's yesterday and Dr. Kier
brought me a very good quality American No. 10 that
Alfred Turner planted. It is about five feet long and
a foot thick so you see we can make a whole box from
this and then there will be some left for Dr. Kier.
We will all sorts of sentences etc. The Cornish and
Statistical preservation.

Very truly yours,

Curator.

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NEW YORK

August 3rd, 1920

Howland Wood, Esq.
8 Bedford Place
London, W.C.1

Dear Mr. Wood:

A few days ago I received a letter from Mr. Saltus saying that he had had a very pleasant time with you and Mrs. Wood in Paris. He said that he had written a previous letter about it, but it never arrived. We, also, had a letter from Mr. Tournour at Brussels saying they had enjoyed a visit from you some time previous to that.

Affairs have been a little less fervid here since I got back from my enforced ten days' rest, for which I have not been sorry. Mr. Wyman has been away for more than a week, and now Miss Reilly is taking a two weeks' vacation - without salary. Mr. Newell gets in once or twice a week, and Mr. Reilly comes from Long Island for the meetings of the Council and Governors; so affairs have slowed down a bit. Mr. Newell plans to go to the Chicago Convention; I hardly think he is to be envied the trip in this hot weather.

We have had a gift of about one hundred books from Mr. Huntington. These consist of dictionaries and include a number which, I feel sure, you will be glad to see - for example, there is an Encyclopedia Gazetteer of the Netherlandish Indies, dictionaries of Coptic and Georgian, as well as several Turkish, Arabic and Indian works. There are a number of things which have proved of interest to Mr. Newell, but I think you will benefit more than the rest of us because some of these are books which you would hardly have wanted to order but which may prove very useful in your work.

Tell Mrs. Wood that I saw Sylvia on the street the other day and she looks well and happy. I trust that your trips out from London are proving all that you anticipated.

Very sincerely yours,

Sydney R. Noel

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August 20th, 1920

Mr. and Mrs. Howland Wood
S.S. NEW YORK
Southampton, England

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Wood:

I do not know whether I am like the people who turn their clouds about, but I have been thinking that there might be fewer who would write you a steamer-letter on your return trip than there were at the start.

I have sent a package containing a book which I hope will amuse you, addressed to Mrs. Wood, C/o The American Line, Southampton, and I trust it will reach you with this.

Affairs at the Society have been more than usually quiet for the past two or three weeks and, in consequence, we have got quite a bit of work done. My annual 'sneezing-fest' having just begun, it might be that further accomplishment may now be discounted - in any event, I shall be obliged to give up golf until the ragweed season is over.

I do not know whether I wrote you that I was going to take two weeks of my vacation, probably beginning September 7th. This may mean that I shall not be here to welcome you when you get back to the tribulations which await you.

I should like to have you form and express an opinion of conditions as you find them, which after your absence will seem perhaps more considerably ^{changed} than they do to us.

Mr. Newell is not able to go to Chicago as he had at first planned, because of other complications which have arisen. Mr. Huntington has given us an additional installment of books, among which there will be a number which you will be glad to see. None of these are part of the Numismatic Library of the Hispanic Society - all are additional thereto. As we have done some buying during the summer, our library account is sadly deflated.

Mr. & Mrs. Howland Wood

August 20th, 1910

Your last letter, from Inverness, was read by everybody. Mr. Newell said that he hoped you had met Dr. Macdonald because he was such a splendid person to know.

Thank you for your efforts on my behalf in Cambridge; I hope they will bear fruit.

Mr. Wyman will doubtless have written you regarding the very satisfactory outcome of the printing difficulties.

This letter seems a hodge-podge, but I hope it will give you some information that you want; and I hope your westward trip will be a quiet and restful one. I think you will find that Sylvia has grown noticeably, and this will doubtless be true of Elizabeth - although I have not seen her.

The others would send greetings, I am sure, if they knew I were writing.

Very sincerely yours,

Sydney P. Noe

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January 26th, 1921

Howland wood, Esq.
1057 Beacon Street
Brookline, 47, Mass.

Dear Mr. Wood:

I am enclosing the cover and title page for our Proceedings of last year. Will it be too much trouble for you to take up with Mr. Marvin the adapting of them to the form of Numismatic Notes and Monographs? Under the circumstances, it seems to me that ~~the~~ Proceedings, etc. will have to replace the title, and author's name beneath the Seal, if you do not further modify the monograph style of cover. As I remember it, you were going to print it under the Numismatic Notes caption but without the serial number.

I am, also, sending you a suggestion for the cover of Monograph No.4. You will note that I have listed the first three which have appeared, and those which follow will gradually crowd out the others beneath the line.

The price printed on Newell's "Sinope" seems to me rather high, and I have a faint idea that there was some mistake about it. Am I right? We have given the price as printed on the cover, but inasmuch as there are only two plates it does seem a contrast to his other books.

I am getting off today the last of the copy for the Proceedings (errors and omissions accepted). The Treasurer's Report is to be printed separately as a sort of folder. Mr. Reilly is laid up with a cold; and although I am hoping that he will have it finished in a day or so, there is no certainty. In any event, the Proceedings need not be held up longer for this element.

Howland Wood, Esq.

January 26, 1921

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We have received proof of the first batch of copy sent. This was the list of Members, Mr. Newell's address, your report and my report, only. What is the trouble with the balance? It is getting pretty close to February 1st.

Very truly yours,

Sydney P. Noe

Secretary

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get prices for
Hester, Alice
Hester, Margaret
white & young line

Why not revise
figures of Newell's
monograph.

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January 28th, 1921

Howland Wood, Esq.
1057 Beacon Street
Brookline, 47, Mass.

Dear Mr. Wood:

Your letter of January 27th came this morning, and I will take up the points you mention as rapidly as possible.

I am glad that you have had Mr. Marvin after the compositor because the first batch of proof up to noon, Friday, is all that has arrived.

I am sending today Mr. Reilly's report, which is to be printed separately on a folder to accompany the Proceedings. I would suggest a 4-page folder (two sheets); and it seems to me that it would be well to have it a trifle under four times the size of the monograph page. I see no need for adhering strictly to the type used in the Monographs - although perhaps for policy's sake, this would be advisable. The set-up should determine whether or not the type would be too small.

I see no reason for not including on the cover, as in the press, your Mexican article, Westervelt's, and possibly Mrs. Brett's Roman Medallions and my Weinman article. Do you think it would be wise to go beyond this at present?

Regarding Perez, I have had a letter from him written from Scranton and expect him at any time. His article with a little revamping should be available in a few months.

With regard to my plans - I have reserved passage on the Columbia, sailing for Glasgow on April 23rd. There are heaps of things to be done in the meantime of course, some of which I am tackling as opportunity offers.

I am glad that your work is progressing satisfactorily; there is certainly no indication of the need for your curtailing your month's stay.

Very sincerely yours,

Sydney P. Noe

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February 8th, 1921

Howland Wood, Esq.
1057 Beacon Street
Brookline, 47, Mass.

Dear Mr. Wood:

I have your letter of last Friday but pressure of work has prevented my answering it before this.

This morning Mr. Marvin sent me a similar proof of the list of publications. I quite see the point of your suggestion about putting the Notes and Monographs down below, but do you not feel that this would be a questionable procedure on the first inner page of the monographs themselves? In other words, do you not think that we ought to put the monographs first; gradually then the other things would be dropped out - Mrs. Brett's first; one of Mr. Newell's, second; and Frey's perhaps last. Or, any of them could be transferred to the rear cover. Would it not, therefore, be better to head the list NUMISMATIC NOTES AND MONOGRAPHS, and then insert, instead of the dash separating them, OTHER PUBLICATIONS? See proof.

I think that you have done quite right with regard to the Weinman photograph.

We received a large batch of Proceedings proof and some other on Saturday. Can you not explain to Mr. Marvin that we are under a great disadvantage in having it come in such heaps? All last week we were without any until late on Saturday; and as Monday is a holiday, its arrival on Saturday meant that practically nothing could be done with it until Tuesday; and Tuesday's accumulation is usually enough to prevent much being done on that day. If we had had part of it earlier in the week, we could probably have returned it to Mr. Marvin by Saturday and saved the delay of three days. Perhaps after he understands the situation, he can arrange matters accordingly.

As to the edition of the Proceedings, we usually print 600 cards & these do not go to the Honorary or Corresponding members. Our total membership, of course, is now 635 and I therefore think the minimum edition should be 650 but leave it to your decision as to whether or not the figure should be raised to 700.

Howland Wood, Esq.

February 8th, 1921

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We had a splendid meeting last night, and Dr. Smith has promised us a monograph on his subject of the Counting Table and the Casting Counter.

Sorry I have not time to write more.

Very truly yours,

Sydney P. Noe

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Edinburgh,
May 9, 1921.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

I expected to have written you before this, but from the newspaper's indications, the steamers have been held up, and this will probably catch the same mail as the letters posted when I landed.

The crossing was stormy and I was sick. Even the good Mrs. Wood promised it would do me didn't quite make up for the experience, as I wrote Mr. Newell. The very green hills with the gorse in bloom did look good, however. It has been cold - very cold. I have on my heaviest underwear, and the hotels, being built of stone, and therefor retaining all the cold possible, for there are few or no fires, have not been comfortable. There is no excitement; everyone is taking the conditions with which they are faced phlegmatically. The train schedules are cut, but that means little to me, for I do not know what they have had previously. "Isn't it dreadful - will you have some more tea?" about describes the situation.

Dr. Macdonald came from Edinburgh to Glasgow to meet me and spent a whole afternoon with the Hunterian coins. Then we had dinner together at my hotel, and he told me something about what I should do when I reached Edinburgh; (last Friday). I was invited for Sunday lunch at his home, and had a delightful time there yesterday. After lunch we walked out to the Botanical Gardens which are extremely well-kept, and which were very attractive with the rhododendron in bloom and the birds singing everywhere. He presented the Library with a reprint of a recent article of his on Roman Coin Finds in Scotland, and told me of several new publications - notably that of the Greek portion of the Stiftes Schottin (1920) which you might mention to Mr. Newell, please. He was so much interested in our way of making impressions and casts that I asked him if I might send him some of the wax. He accepted the offer so promptly that I was glad I had had gumption enough to sense it, and he referred to the matter again Sunday. When you have a chance, will you kindly have Ruch pack a piece of it and mail it to him? You can gauge its size - I should think a piece two or three inches high and of the dimensions of the lump you have in the drawer would last him for a considerable period. If you could make inquiries as to what its equivalent is called in England, that would probably aid him in securing a further supply when he needs it.

Will you also please ask Miss Earle to send me the proof set of the illustrations for the Weinman brochure as soon as she can obtain a second copy?

I think you saw the oriental coins here at the Royal Scottish Museum. I am making brief notes in case you did not. There is an interesting find of silver vessels uncovered at Traprain Law last year. The plates and vases are hewn into sections as by an axe or hatchet. I plan to leave for Ke wick in a day or two.

Yours very sincerely,

Sydney P. Noe

P.S. - over.

Please keep an expense account for me
for the way and for any excess postage on books
I may send. I shall possibly address some
things which are my own to the Library in
order to avoid difficulties at the Post Office.
I sent a few low bids for volumes of the
coins in the Pozzi Collection. As I hear
they went at low prices, there is just a
chance I may have got one or two. In
that case will you forward a draft for
them and thank me up to me.

I heard Theodore Peltre lecture here
today and as I wanted to witness that
yesterday and have spent about five hours
in museum visits the time at the lecture,
I'm a bit weary tonight.

The Hotel here is superlatively bad. I
suppose. The food and breakfast is not
wonderful. I wonder when I happen to be out
here as some of the people here. So it is not
much more expensive than living in London.

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Ivanhoe Hotel, London,
May 27, 1921.

Dear Mr. Wood and Miss Earle:-

I was glad to receive your joint letter and to have word of how matters were back in the New World. I was very glad to get Prof. Tudeer's letter, and I have written to him. Also, I have written to Champion about the post-card bill. I cannot recall what the items were and have asked for duplicate bills if he doesn't want to wait until I get to Paris. Miss Reilly is the only one who would know whether we had made any payments to him since these dates - her accounts with the bank would show them. I have a dim memory that Mr. Newell got some books from him, and it is just possible that he may have thought I was paying for them if that is correct. Or, possibly, Champion may not have connected a remittance from Mr. Newell with this invoice against us. However, I will straighten out the matter when I reach Paris.

I hope the Napoleonic Exhibition is attracting visitors. I think the invitation you sent me exceedingly good. It was too bad that you had to have numismatic weather for the opening. I shall be glad to receive the copy of the Mexican monograph as soon as it is ready. As I wrote to Mr. Newell, Mr. Whithead, (whom I met here and who will probably be in New York before you receive this, as he sails on the Cedrie next Saturday,) was very cordial to a suggestion I made to him that he publish the lectures which you had been obliged to decline. He thought they could be issued in two parts with several plates to each, and that they would serve as a sort of introduction to Indian Numismatics. Certainly there should be a need for something of this kind. I presume he will take up the matter with you.

The work at the British Museum is proving very interesting indeed. As Mr. Newell may have told you, they have fitted up a place for me opposite Mr. Robinson at his desk, and we have great discussions over some of my theories. You will realise the benefit to me of the sort of dogged insistence on your making your point before it will be accepted by them. Strangely enough they have come round to my way of thinking regarding the use of hubs for the incuse pieces. They have allowed me to take impressions myself, as well as affording me other privileges not given others. Mr. Hill has today given me a number of casts of rare pieces in their collection, and promises to send a lot more when they can get round to it. Will you ask Comparette if he can get a set of proof-pulls of the Bement catalogue plates for them? They are going to do the same for us with their future publications. I have been to Baldwins and Spinks. Baldwin tells me that he sent you a set of the reduced-silver coinage of this year on Mr. Saltus's account. If you want last years, he says it is harder to get, but if you will drop him a line, he will get one for you if possible. Please tell Miss Meagher that the B. M. has very little on coin finds, and that I have not taken this up as yet. Mr. Hill thinks it would be very desirable to publish the bibliography, and has made some suggestions which will prove helpful. The sailing of the Mauretania is postponed for lack of coal, so I cannot tell when this will reach you, but as I have a number of other letters to get ready, I must close this one now. Greetings to everyone at the Museum.

Very sincerely yours,

Sydney P. Noel

May 31st, 1921

Sydney P. Noe, Esq.
123 Babb Wall
London, S.W.

My dear Noe:

As the staff, both night and day, wrote you last week, I thought the little I could add would be superfluous.

You have nothing on us concerning weather; we had it cold for quite awhile after you left but are now making up for lost time.

I am glad you got together with Dr. Macdonald and that you felt well repaid for enduring Glasgow. I am sending over some of the wax and trust he will be properly stuck on it! I could not locate the same kind of wax in England; and as we call it by two or three different names, if they have it in England they probably call it by some other non-de-plume.

Miss Lyle sent off to you the Seimian illustrations.

The so-called Pirate's Loot in the Edinburgh Museum was certainly interesting. I noticed the Priest-al coins there, but as I saw nothing special, I made no notes of them.

I have a letter from Mr. Whitehead saying that he sails for New York on May 28th.

Nothing has yet come for you which you have sent over. A few Italian notices have come which we have forwarded.

The tribe of Reilly has left for California by easy stages via Salem. The tribe of Wood spent Decoration Day on hard beds in their wall cottage in the country.

- Hoping you are well,

Very truly yours,

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June 11, 1921.

Dear Mr. Wood and Miss Earle:-

Last night I sent a letter to Mr. Newell which he probably will tell you about, and so I shall not need to tell you all I have been doing the past week or two. Suffice it to say that I have been kept pretty busy, and plan to start for Paris tomorrow, the 12th. Oxford and Cambridge were both enjoyable. At the former I saw Sir Arthur J. Evans' Meta. coins, and at Cambridge there was so much to be done that I could even go to the boat races.

I appreciate your letters and the information they give of developments at the Society. By this time Mr. Whitehead will have arrived. Will you please say that I asked you to give him my greetings and hoped he had experienced an enjoyable crossing. The copy of the Mexican Monograph came today, and it looks very well. Congratulations. Mr. Allan said they had received a copy which they were very glad to have.

From Heffers at Cambridge I sent a package of books addressed to the Library and for which I include the bill. The Burlington magazines and the Botticelli are for me, but the other volumes are for the Library, and I think they will pass them at the P. O. all right. Also, I sent from the British Museum today another package of publications of theirs which are also addressed to the Library, but which are all mine. They should come in free of duty if addressed to me, personally, as the publications of a scientific institution, so there will in all likelihood be no question about them. I also sent a box of casts (addressed to the Society) but containing in addition to things of mine, casts for Mr. Newell on the second layer of casts. Will you please tell him to take his things, and examine the others if he cares to do so. I shall probably send one or more other packages of books from Paris, as they are already quite an accumulation.

You would laugh to see me demonstrating our way of making casts to the natives here, who seem to have been unwilling to suppose that there could be any other way than the red wax method. Young Forrer, the Cambridge people and others have all expressed great interest in our way of doing it. If Mr. Ruch could make up a small "air-tight" envelope of the burnt sienna coloring matter for enclosure in the next letter you send, it would come in handy for mine is all gone. I had to shop for some plaster of Paris and some "chalk-dust" here the other day, and I have no desire for further shopping that can be avoided.

I am very glad over the Council's action regarding the Library funds and will try to spend it in France and Italy. As I shall have but a few days in Paris before going on to Rome and Naples, that will have to wait until I come back so far as Paris is concerned. Dr. VanDyke is to reach Naples now, (owing to cancellation of the sailing of the vessel on which he first planned to come) on July 4th - provided the ship "doesn't sprain a screw" as he wrote.

Yours very sincerely
S. P. Noe

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June 19, 1921.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

I have your letter of the 31st, together with your note regarding Zamora. It is too bad to have so much bother with him - let us hope that our efforts will improve the style of the medals he issues. I will try to get to the mint tomorrow to see if I can find the medals he wants - if not, I will try to put a dealer on the track of them. As I am leaving Paris on Tuesday for Naples, I may have to postpone final results until I return. I shall leave this open for a postscript on this point.

I have located some desirable books at one of the dealers here, and these I am having sent. They include a copy of Teixera de Aragao for which we have long been looking. I am also sending a list of pamphlets which I have had reserved. Please have Miss Heagher check them up and advise me at once of any we have. Then I can send the others when I have returned to Paris.

About the two packets of books from Heffer's at Cambridge, I have written you. Another lot was sent under the wrapper of the British Museum (for me personally). Also from there, there were two lots of casts, one addressed to Mr. Newell and one to the Society. Will you kindly advise me when they are received. I have written several times to Mr. Newell, but so far have had no answer. Spink sent him a consignment of coins at my request and another lot is going from C. Platt's here in a day or so.

When the books come, will you look and see whether we have the one by Daguin which is included, please. Send this copy on to Mr. Gillingham, whether we have or not, and advise me so that I can order a second copy in case we do not have it. Mr. Whitehead must be with you now - will you please say I asked you to give him my greetings. I received the Weinman's plates - thank you very much.

I have seen Weinman once or twice. I invited him and his better half to dinner one evening last week. He said he had written you. I also met Mr. Wray on the street last week, and called at his hotel last evening a few minutes. Mr. Saltus seems to be in good health and asked about everybody. As it is now ten thirty, and this typewriter makes a good deal of noise, I fear I may be requested to stop if I do not do so of my own accord. What with making casts morning and night, I have had but little time for writing letters. Perhaps when I get to Italy, things may improve. Please give my regards to Mrs. Wood. She will have it in for me for not going to Ely while I was at Cambridge, but I used every minute of the four days there, and couldn't do any more. I will write William as soon as I can get another chance.

Very sincerely yours,

Sydney P. Noe

P.S. - I engaged steam
passage today - French Line
steamship Leopoldine from
Havre due to sail August 24 -
via deep ship. I tried to get
a passage on the Chicago,
August 20, but it was filled.

I could not get to the mint,
so asked Florange to quote
Wynman on the medals Zanon
wants and told Wynman to order
them if the price is O.K.

On the ~~bill~~ memo of Florange
enclosed, the books marked x are
ordered sent. When they come, please
have the accompanying bill checked
and forwarded for payment at once.
The other titles ask Miss Mayhew to
check & that I can eliminate any
duplication when I return her and
order the balance.

Yours in haste
Sydney P. Noel

June 30th, 1921.

Dear Noy:-

I have been hearing reports of you in Paris from Eymen. I suppose you have seen Saltus, and have been having a profitable time both in London and Paris.

Mrs. Earle went on a week's vacation yesterday to Bermuda.

The books from Haiffer came the other day and have been packed away in the closet. They and the box of cards from the B.H. came in without duty or trouble. Nevell will probably be in today, and I will let him look them over.

I went down to Halsey's yesterday and brought back all of the medals, &c., that he was doing for us, and the whole thing is settled up. Also included were the two Prince of Wales medals for Mr. Saltus. I have written Mr. S. about these and sent him a bill.

The Canada medal is in Dr. Kane's hands, and he is preparing the circular. This is all I know about it.

Very truly for the time being,

July 7th, 1921.

Sydney P. Noe, Esq.,
c/o Brown, Shipley & Co.,
123 Pall Mall,
London, S.W., England.

Dear Noe:-

Your letter of June 19th with the invoice of books from Florence at hand. I have had Miss Hatcher trace these up, and am returning to you the completed invoice you sent. We have a second invoice from Florence. The "N" against the number means "Not in the Library".

We have the 1894 edition of the Daguin. Their bill, however, quotes for the 1904 edition which we have not got. As the book has not come I could not say exactly if we have it. We certainly would want the 1904 edition.

You will note that there are about three books that we have, all the rest we have not.

I am very anxious to get this book. I think the title, although in German, is something like this:-

Buhler's Tables of Kharoshti Brahmi and Sanskrit Characters.

It is a well known book, and I wish you would try to get it for me in Paris, otherwise will you write to London.

I think all the casts have come and Newell has received the coins.

I note that you are going to sail on the 24th of August, and I will try to get off for a few weeks shortly after you come home. This is all I have to report today.

Very truly,

Florence, July 13, 1921.

Dear Mr. Wood, Miss Earle and Miss Meagher:-

Three letters from the Society were found here this morning - the first mail I have had in several weeks. I am expecting more when I reach Venice next week. In the meantime I shall be kept busy answering these.

I return money order duly signed. Hope you will sell many copies of the Mexican article. I also received the letters from Vienna and Berlin (postcards, I mean), as well as the one from Bilkert. I am glad to have the word on the casts which have arrived - from Vienna, and am glad that you acknowledged receipt. I will send re-ittance to cover from here. I was entertained by Mr. Levis at dinner before I left London, and as I think I wrote you, he is coming to New York in the fall, and will bring with him a selection of his best pieces for exhibition as a loan at the Society during his stay. He has a wonderful collection.

As Mr. Newell will probably have told you, I did get into the Naple Collection, and strange to say was allowed to take impressions and make my own casts. For your information, The first set of casts in two boxes addressed to Mr. Newell were sent from London. A subsequent single box was also sent from there. Mr. Wyman was to mail a third consignment from Paris after I left there, and a fourth was to be sent by Signorina Cesano from Rome last week. These last all to be sent to the Society, although they contain some things for Mr. Newell, and of course may be examined by him if he so wishes. I have enough for another box in my suit case, but may not be able to send them for several weeks.

Living expenses here are not high, and I have therefore had something to spend on coins. Did Mr. Newell receive a lot of Metapontum from Spink, and another lot, (miscellaneous) from Platt of Paris, do you know? I sent some books from Naples - pamphlets, rather, which are to be paid for if they arrive in good condition.

Since Dr. Van Dyke arrived I have had but little time for coin work. We have seen some bully good pictures - not only at Naples and Rome, but at Assisi, Perugia and Arezzo, and now here at Florence, where the galleries are being entirely rearranged. I saw Tudeer at Rome, and have quite a correspondence to keep up with people I have met since I arrived. There will be much to tell when I return, but I fear it will have to wait, as it is now time to stop before the neighbors complain about the noise of this typewriter.

Yours ever and truly,

Sydney B. Noe

Please preserve envelope until I return.
S. B. Noe

Ordered through S. P. Koe, July 14th. -

Lot 486, Bühler Indische Palaeographie, 2 parts, 1896, 15/-

Lot 777, Protyn Indian Coinage and Currency, 1897, 15/-

The Kingdom of Afghanistan by G. P. Tate, Bennett Coleman & Co.,
London Agency, 92 Shoe Lane, 1911.

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Turin
Aug. 5, 1921.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

There were letters from you at Venice, one a joint one from you and Miss Reilly. There were two at Milan, one written by Miss Earle and yourself. I was glad to have them all with their quota of news about Washington Heights. I also received a letter from Mr. Newell, and am hoping for further word from you all when I get to Marseilles where I am due about Aug. 8th.

I have ordered the three books you desired, and hope they will reach you in due season. I sent a package of photographs addressed to you (but for me). Should there be any duty, please pay it and keep account. There should be none on such a small amount. I have been sending consignments of books from Florence, Venice, Milan. They will be slow in arriving, but there should be no duty on any of them, because they are all in a foreign language. Please thank Miss Meagher for checking up Florange's list so nicely. I will have the ones not in the Library sent on as soon as I reach Paris.

Here at Turin I have had a fairly successful day, and hope to complete my work by tomorrow night in time to take the train for Lyons. From there I back-track to Marseilles to take some casts to Vlasto and to see Ravel again. Then I head for Paris, with several stops on the way. Whether I try for Brussels or not depends somewhat on the weather. At Milan I got what I wanted without any trouble, and Turin about winds up the лето of things. There still remains some shopping for books at Paris - possibly at Brussels if I get there. Dr. Van Dyke left me at Verona, he going north to join the McClellans for a month in Germany. I didn't want to go, which was fortunate, for if I had it would have been impossible. The heat at Venice was almost intolerable, and we did little. At Milan it was better and here it is fairly comfortable. I hate to think of Paris.

I don't quite know what to make of the Choate Medal business. If the Society's seal is to be placed on it, as seemed to be the case when I saw the model in Weil's hands, it seems to me that we ought to know something more about it. Weil told Mr. Adams he wouldn't make the dies if he wasn't to strike the medals too. So far as I know, there has been no official communication to our Society regarding the matter. Dr. Thompson should know something about it, but from present indications it seems to me we should be better off if we had nothing to do with it. There

still remains the question of the seal, in that case, however.
To get a copy of the circular Dr. Funn is preparing to
safeguard his taking liberties with the Society's name.
What a mess has been made of the whole thing! By the time
the medal gets out, it will be necessary to have someone
explain who Mr. Choate was.

I hope you and Mrs. Wood have had a good summer in Jersey.
Please say I asked to be remembered to her.

Yours ever,

Sydney P. Noe

P.S. - No mail at Marseilles - maybe I shall have
better at Paris. Wish I had time to write you more and
often but there will be much to tell when I get back.
May the weather here have shown you the best there has
been here. I am sending the best of my love - I
have the feeling here of the Palace of the Popes! - To dine at 5.15
in the heat of 10-45 - 5:30! No help for it, alas.
Meetings to all at the home

Sydney P. Noe

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September 10th, 1911

Howland Wood, Esq.
143 Park Avenue
Keansburg, N.J.

Dear Mr. Wood:

Thank you very much for the catarrhal jelly which arrived promptly this morning. I have not yet had time to test it out, but it may prove just the thing.

I am enclosing the cheque from Ag. to Rag. which came this morning. There was, also, a letter addressed to you from Ford which requires no immediate answer; and one from Mr. Lewis listing five books for the library, which you would have turned over to me.

I still walk in a circle when I try to follow a bee line, but my mug does not lean as heavily on one side as it did when you were here. By the time you get back, I will have lost my beauty features!

Greetings to Mrs. Wood.

Sincerely yours,

Sydney P. Lee

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Encs.

P.S. The enclosed letter from Mrs. Kellogg just received. I think it is best for you to reply to it and an enclosing letterhead, etc. in order that you may do so.

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September 12th, 1921.

Howland Wood, Esq.,
146 Park Avenue,
Beacon Beach, N.J.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

I am enclosing several letters which came this morning one or two of which look rather personal.

I use this opportunity to thank you for the tube of catarrhal jelly which came Saturday, and which is a decided help with my present difficulties.

Mr. Newell asked me out to his home over Sunday, and when I came back this morning I stopped to see Dr. Kunz about the Choate medal. I ran into Mr. Saltus there and he asked for you.

Yours ever,

Sydney P. Noe

P.S. There is prospect of quite a bit of bother over the Choate medal - but I am not crossing bridges. I shall have to prepare the circular!!

S. P. N.

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September 17th, 1911

Hon. Mr. Wood, Esq.
143 Park Avenue
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Wood:

For your information, Mr. Newell thinks he may come to New York on Wednesday. If you have other plans, I would not bank heavily on this possibility.

There is a letter here regarding another Washington Indian Peace Medal of intermediate size, 1702, with some very good, rare and photographs, which I think should be photographed before returning, notwithstanding. The owner of the plaque, in Oklahoma, asks a valuation for it and seems to have received offers to sell it.

There has been little of importance in the way of routine.

Very sincerely yours,

Sydney P. Noe

Enc. letter from
Mr. L. M. Bragdon

May 16, 1922

Sydney A. Roe, Esq.
1212 1/2 Street E. S. W.
New York City

Dear Mr. Roe:

I beg to thank you, on behalf of
the Society, for your contribution to-
ward the purchase of the platinum 6-
rouble piece which we have acquired,
and which is the first piece of this
metal owned by the Society.

Very truly yours, -

Curator

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June 13th, 1922.

Howland Wood, Esq.,
St. Luke's Hospital,
New York.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

At the meeting of the Council
of The American Numismatic Society held on
Friday last, it was moved and carried that
the Secretary communicate to you the hope
of the Council that your recovery will be a
speedy one. It gives me great pleasure to
be instrumental in communicating this action
to you.

Very respectfully yours,

Sydney P. Noe
Secretary.

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July 15th, 1922

Dear Mr. [Name]

This will be a "round robin" but there should be more of us to make a robin. I have told Miss Earle, however, that she can "ramble on" after I have put what I care to say in concise language. (Nerve, 'the man has!')

I received the stamps and am sending them on to Mrs. Bangs. From the second lot, she obtained a little more than from the first one, but I know that she will keep an account of the transaction, and it will be straightened out in due time. I know she has a great many more duplicates and she will probably have the "other fellow" in her debt!

Regarding Comparette, we only know that the funeral was held last Friday, and that his brother came on from Indiana to take back the body. Zerbe left here on Thursday, and wrote me that he was going to attend the funeral - as did also Henry Chapman.

We had a visit from the Director of the Museum in Mexico, and our efforts to understand his Spanish and make ourselves understood (he having no English) were highly amusing.

Regarding Mr. Saltus, Dr. Kunz told me that they expected his body to arrive tomorrow, the 16th, and that the funeral would probably be several days later. I am enclosing the letter and the paper from Baldwin as well as the invoice, or bill, for the [unclear] of Mr. Saltus. It seems to me from the brief description that some of these have certainly never been sent to us - possibly, some of them are in transit now. If you recognize that we have received some of them, I would suggest that you indicate to some [unclear] which goes. Do you [unclear] that it might be well to ask Baldwin whether there are certain of [unclear] still in his possession, and if he knows if they were intended for us by Mr. Saltus. This is implied in his letter, but I imagine his executors will require some statement from us of a more specific nature.

Patterson & White have given us an estimate (\$285) on your Commemorative Coinage, and I have told them to go ahead with the printing even though we may hold this after some of the others are finished.

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Your letter re. the Convention papers is somewhat vague. I find no letter to Mr. Wormser which you thought you wrote - and apparently you have not written to the others you mentioned. Mr. Noe suggests that I send the enclosed to you for approval, and if you will return it as soon as possible with any changes you feel like making, I will send them to the various people you mentioned in your letter as early as it is possible for me to do so. I have been kept very busy these past two weeks, but Miss Reilly is due back on Monday, and I shall have more time to breathe. Not that I am a bit over-worked; just comfortably busy!

Mr. Newell was in today and will be in again on Monday, I think. You didn't say how you were feeling; I do hope quite well again. Please tell us!

William was so pleased to get Elizabeth's nice little letter; how nicely she writes!

The enclosed is a round robin - at least, so Mr. Noe says! I told him he would be lucky if you recognized it at all as a bird! But I have labelled most things, for your information! And now he has just gone, and tells me to sign his name "Dictated but not read". So you see what I have to put up with! ~~And now, being that I have "dictated it" as a round robin, I~~ will get on with further proof reading.

Our greetings to Mrs. Wood, and best wishes,

Sincerely,

Sydney Philip Noel
J.E.

Oh, by the way, the inner doors of the safe in Miss R's room refuse to open today for some reason. Apparently, it locked itself in closing and the key is inside, we believe. Do you know of any other key which would fit it?

Mrs Campbell
address

THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
156TH STREET, WEST OF BROADWAY
NEW YORK

July 18, 1922.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

Since sending the letter which should have reached you Monday, I have been wondering why it might not be a good stunt to ask Pelden to read his paper on the Indian Peace Medal to the Convention. This would get it out of his system, and it could be published in the Numismatist. Furthermore, a suggestion that he do it, coming from you, would possibly be welcomed, whereas he might hesitate to propose it himself. What do you think about it?

Secondly - I suppose we shall have to arrange for William to be away a week as you did last year. Wouldn't it be best to plan for this about the time you come back - would the week beginning Aug. 14th or the one beginning Aug. 21st seem the better?

No word regarding the Saltus funeral as yet.

Yours very sincerely,

Sydney P. Noe

P.S. Saltus funeral Friday at 10 A.M.

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July 18, 1922.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

I am sorry to bother you with business matters, but there is a detail with respect to your monograph which requires a decision on your part.

I am enclosing the plates for your Commemorative Pieces. The set marked A is the order in which they were given to the printer. I also enclose your pencilled memorandum, and from that I see that for some reason I cannot follow, you have placed the fifty-dollar slug at the beginning of the plates, instead of where it belongs chronologically. I do not remember anything in the text which makes this desirable, and under this scheme, the plate numbered 5 is way off with respect to its chronological position. In the set "A", the Panama Pacific pieces are not in their proper position chronologically.

Now there is the possibility of renumbering the plates as I have done for the set marked "B" and of having the binder alter the order of the sheets accordingly. Is this enough worth while? It seems the best solution under the circumstances. Form "A", even if we should place the loose sheet next the last plate, would still have the Panama-Pacific Plates following instead of preceding Plate 3.

Perhaps I am ^{being} stupid in not being able to get the hang of your pencilled layout. Let me have your decision as promptly as may be, please.

Yours very sincerely,

Sydney P. Noe

Secretary.

P.S. Please O.K. caption
for Plate 3 of Form B. if right to you
for Panama-Pacific Exp. piece.
S. P. N.

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July 19, 1922.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

It is toward the end of a hot, and therefore far from perfect day that I am trying to type these lines, so if you find a lot of typing errors, you will not jump to the wrong conclusion.

Now for an important matter, which because of the possibility it may not go through, I would like to have you mention to no one - not excepting your better half. It saves a lot of explaining if the plan has to be given up.

For a long time, I have had an idea that I should like to spend the remainder of my year of absence studying somewhere. The Princeton scheme had to be given up on account of taking over publications, partly. Recently I asked Mr. Newell if he thought it would be possible to go to the American School of Classical Studies at Athens and work while I was there under Syroonos. He said that he thought it might be practicable and told me to go see Prof. Dinsmoor of Columbia, who has been there three years. So last week I went down and had a talk with him, and the more I have looked into the thing since then, the more advantageous it seems.

Prof. Dinsmoor says the year begins in October, early in the month, so that is the time I should have to leave - or rather a little before that. The nine months would carry me through the term, and get me back on the job in time to leave the summer free to the rest of you for vacations.

Naturally I have hesitated about laying on you or asking you to assume any unnecessary burden ~~on you~~, but with conditions as they are, there is hardly likely to come a time when matters would be in a better shape for my going. The Library is in good shape - Miss Earle can handle most of the Secretarial correspondence, and the publications have never been in better trim. The four brochures we now have in the press can and will be finished before I leave, and their distribution delayed to cover October, November and December. Possibly two others will be finished, practically, before I go. Furthermore, if you conclude an arrangement with Zerbe, this is something on which you would have had to do the major part of the work anyhow. Furthermore,

anything Mr. Newell does will be straightaway printing - that is, will not require much editing, and in consequence will not entail a heavy burden. I am confident that you will take the attitude that you do not want to stand in the way of my going if I try to go ahead, but I am reviewing the situation thus at length in order to show you that it is hardly likely that the affairs I have been handling would be in so favorable a shape for a long time to come. From what you have said about the Coin Room, I have gathered that the same is true there. There are no medals being issued, and none in prospect, so far as I know.

And that brings two other thoughts. If my sabbatical year is to do me any good, it should be taken as a whole. And if I do not take up this opportunity, I can see no prospect of another that will in any wise equal it. The time would be spent in study which would fit me for further numismatic work, and Mr. Newell has pointed out that we could probably form associations with the archeologists such as we have wanted for a long time. The Director of the American School is expected in New York very soon, and I expect to get into touch with him then. The other day, when I had a talk with Mr. Huntington, I asked him what he thought of the plan, and he said at once that it was an opportunity which I couldn't afford to miss. balance

When I started out, I said that I had had some idea such as this for a long time. So I did, but it was a hazy indefinite ~~px~~ desire with little or no foundation. It is only now that it has crystalized. I have got to make a quick decision, and if I decide to go ahead, the matter will have to be submitted to the Council in writing as they have no meeting until September. In the meantime, will you please write me frankly how you feel about it.

Yours very sincerely,

Sydney P. Noe

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July 20th, 1911

Dear Mr. Wood:

I have your letter and note that you do not like the plates and want them done over.

I do see that the cut of the Lewis and Clark piece is better than the results in heliotype, but it seems to be that the opposite is true with some of the others - noticeably, the Panama-Pacific dollar and the Louisiana Purchase dollar.

As all these plates are printed on the same sheet, your decision to scrap the heliotype in favour of the cuts must be final because the sheets will have to be printed at one time. As you feel that the heliotypes are the less desirable of the two, this will not involve any sacrifice, but I am pointing it out so that you can understand why it will not be possible to shift back to the heliotypes after once having discarded them - i.e., unless we have them done over again completely.

I doubt that the Photo-Gelatine people can do much better than they have, but as your letter makes very plain that you prefer the cuts, I shall not have Patterson & White print in the captions at all, and we can simply scrap that half of the sheet.

Who do you want to make the cuts? The Phoenix people are good but expensive. Would you prefer to have Folsom do them?

There is no rush about having them done; and, of course, they must be submitted for your O.K. I can put the matter in train so that they will be finished about the time you get back, and will do so as soon as I have your decision.

Sincerely yours,

Sydney P. Noe

Howland Wood, Esq.
16 Arnold Avenue
Northampton, Mass.

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July 25th, 1922

Dear Mr. Wood:

Glad to have your budget of letters. It looked like a volume before I got the cover off.

I appreciate your attitude about my going away, and I shall write you further as the matter develops.

I note what you say about staying until the middle of August. I certainly think you should. If you get back the week of the Convention, it seems to me that you could do what has to be done in that time. Ruch has printed all of your labels.

Regarding Miss Meagher, my thought was to leave her in charge of the library. She will have enough work on the Coin Hoards bibliography to keep her busy, but I shall leave her other work as well. I propose to leave an outline sketch of the lay-out of the library as well as a report for the Fall meeting. The Huntington books are practically all catalogued and shelved now, and the binding has been done, so that I can see nothing likely to come up which cannot easily be set aside until I return. Miss Meagher is expected back, however, about September 1st, and there should be time for some work with her before I go.

I have forgotten whether I wrote you that it is desirable to try to see Orsi at Syracuse before I go on to Athens, and if the work here can be wound up, I shall try to leave a week or two before October 1st. This, of course, will be cut from the other end but will make somewhat of a scramble here before I go.

I expect to have Vlasto's article and three others finished by the time I sail; it will keep us pretty busy to do this. One of the monographs - presumably, Vlasto's, could go out September 15th or October 1st, and the other three follow at whatever interval may seem best. If you make the interval a month, it would give you until January before anything new would need to be printed.

Under the circumstances, don't you think that it would be most advantageous for you to have Miss Earle plan for early in October? That would give you a week or two after I leave and Miss Reilly could carry on in the meantime, and Miss Earle will be kept pretty busy until the monographs now in the press are finished. She is thinking of a possible trip to the West Indies for her vacation, and I hardly believe

she would want to go as early as September as would be necessary if she left before I start.

William is going to have a week beginning August 14th; and Ruch, as usual, wants his time in September - presumably right after Labour Day.

I will tell Mr. Newell what you say about Whitehead, but details, of course, will have to await your return.

Yes, Ruditsky fixed up the medals for Milwaukee, and they have been sent.

I had had no thought of sending out a notice to members about the Convention, and have heard no suggestion of doing so. It can be done, however, but as so many of our people are also Club members, I don't quite see that many of the others are going to be attracted. Wouldn't a notice of the exhibition serve better as a drawing-card for the Fall meeting?

Now about the cuts for your article - I have asked Strohm to come over, but I think we shan't be able to gain anything from that. I will write Patterson & White, as you suggest, and ask what they advise regarding mount of cuts, etc. You see, part of the difficulty lies in that the captions for the heliotype sheets must be printed now if the plates are going to be used. As I see it, however, there is no question but that the present sheets must be scrapped. If we don't use cuts, the Photo-Gelatine people will have to make the plates over anyhow, so I am going to tell Patterson & White to print captions only for Hill's and Mrs. Brett's articles. I am disappointed about the whole matter because I thought we had the Photo-Gelatine people broken in to what we want. They made one side of the sheet over again, and I relied on their thoroughness, but, as results show, without warrant. I shall put the case in this light before Strohm, but as I had previously told them to go ahead, the responsibility lies with me and no-one else. I intended that you should see the prints when you were here, but you were at the Society for so short a time that this was not done.

Mr. Saltus' funeral was last Friday. Messrs. Newell, Beatty, Drowne and Belden were present.

I will write you again in a few days. It is to be hoped less-lengthily!

Very truly yours,

Samuel P. Newell

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P.S. Enclosed is carbon of letter to Mrs. Butt who wants to extend her Gold Lampsaker article to include Silver and Bronze.

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THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
BROADWAY, BETWEEN 155TH
AND 156TH STREETS
NEW YORK

July 28th, 1922.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

There has been little about which to write you since my last communication.

I am sending for the cuts from Lent & Graff. I had a talk with Strom this morning but I very much doubt that the Photo-Gelatine people can do any better work, and as soon as you get back we will go ahead and have the cuts made by Folsom as you suggest.

I had the Irving people do some photographing for me a few days ago. The results are very poor. Ruch says that Sinclair, at the Indian Museum, has done some very fine work. What do you say to trying him out if we can get prices to match?

I enclose your cheque.

Regarding my leave, there is little that is new. The letters to the Council however are going to go out today. Those I have had a chance to talk with feel that it would be a mistake to miss the opportunity. I have looked up steamers, and the only ones in sight at all suitable leave September 12th and September 19th. I think the latter will do.

A few days ago I wrote Zerbe telling him of the possibility of my going and saying that if I did there would be a chance for you to publish his Bryan Pieces with your name as Acting Editor, and saying further that I thought you would agree to go ahead with the publication on this basis. I also asked him whether he would consent, if the above was acceptable to you, to publish the Bickford's separately. I am enclosing you his response, and I hope it will prove sufficiently satisfactory for you to be willing to go ahead on this basis and publish both the Bickfords and the Bryans while I am away. What do you think

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about the proposal in his last paragraph ?

Very sincerely yours,

Sydney P. Noe

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August 1st, 1922

Dear Mr. Wood:

I was glad to have your letter of July 31st. We have had a promise from Ward to deliver 5 tons of coal at once, so that is out of the way! If you and Mr. Reilly had any understanding about the coal, wouldn't it be well to write him and urge, in view of the changed conditions, that there be no further delay in laying in the winter supply? There is certainly going to be a coal famine this coming year; and if Ward is willing, as seems to be the case now, why not order it at this time? It is not likely to be cheaper.

I was glad to see Dr. Gates' letter, and presume you have transmitted its purport to Mrs. Campbell.

Miss Earle will take up the matter of her vacation when you get back.

I spoke to Mr. Newell yesterday about a notice for the evening meeting here for the Convention, Wednesday, August 30th. Both he and Mr. Beatty (who was also here) felt that it would be a waste of money to send notices to our membership.

Responses from the Council regarding my leave have begun to come in; I think eight of them have already voted favorably.

There is a notice from the attorneys for Dr. Nies, indicating that the Society is mentioned in his will but not stating to what extent.

Enclosed are various letters just arrived for you. We, as well as Mr. Voetter, fail to understand the enclosed sealed envelope addressed to Miss Anna Voetter.

With best wishes,

Very truly yours,

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August 7th, 1922

Dear Mr. Wood:

Last week I was kept so busy that there was not time even to send you a line. Mr. Newell was in for two or three days and quite a number of decisions were made involving work, then the books came from the binder's, and there has been proof unending - or, at least, so it seemed! The "last straw" arrived on Saturday night after 8 p.m. when the postman brought a special delivery package of the proof of your article from Patterson & White.

I am sending you the first two galleys. You will note immediately that the quoted material of the Act of Congress has not been set, as we directed, in the 7-pt type. Patterson & White wrote that they did not have 7-pt. To my eye, the 6-pt. is entirely too small. Of course, we can tell them to obtain the 7-pt, though this might mean a slight delay. Would you consider it advisable to have them print the quoted Enactments in 8-pt? This is not sharply in contrast with the 9-pt, but being inset gives it something more of distinction. Please let me have your decision on this.

I am planning to go to the Club meeting on Friday evening. Why can't you stay at Northampton for another week - that is, until the 21st? There is nothing here that could not very easily be taken care of until after that. I can do anything you may need at the Club for you. And if you will let us send proof to you there, I see no reason why you can't read it as well in Northampton as you could in New York.

The responses from the Council regarding my leave have come in and are favorable. I have done nothing toward securing passage yet.

Hill has sent back his proof, so we should be able to complete his article very quickly now. We have also received Mrs. Brett's proof, and that is well underway.

None of your letters have said anything about how you are feeling, and there have been a number asking on that point.

Cordially yours,

Sydney P. Noe

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Sept. 20, 19 22.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

Well, I started for Italy, and they have dropped me off at Philadelphia for the day. We reached here at noon, but as Mr. Gillingham wasn't at his office, I did not connect with him.

I did, however, go to see the exhibition of medals of which I had spoken to you, and it is hardly important enough for you to come over for. Fuchs, Weinman, DeFrancisci, Sinnock, Pietz and a few others had either frames or unframed medals - there wasn't much that was new. Mr. Jennings Hood went up to the show with me. He gave me the name of a possible member - Franklin Spence Edmonds, Esq., The Franklin Bldg, Philadelphia. Will you ask Miss Earle to send him one of our usual letters for prospects.

I also called on Patterson and White - and secured a copy of Hill's article which they expect to finish this week. I asked them to submit a dummy tonight, asking whether the plates are spaced rightly. They say they have followed Whitehead, but I felt that they were too low on the sheet. You would save them inconvenience if you would telegraph your answer.

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Look at the cuts for the Commemorative coins pretty carefully. They are 150 screen, but are pretty sharp. ~~X/X/X/X~~ They have retouched them - whether or not it is too much, you must judge. They estimated the cost for the set at less than a hundred dollars! Find out about this, please, because you can get just as good results for less money, I think. They are quite innocent about the retouching, being anxious to secure the sharpness for the lack of which we discarded the heliotype prints. If the results are not right, we must simply do them over once more.

Thank you again for all you did to help me get started. The steamer has few passengers, and I should be rested by the time we reach Palermo. Greetings to Mrs. Wood,

Yours very sincerely,

Sydney P. Noe

*and not
knowing it
was against
our rules*

Business.

Athens, Oct. 27, 1922.

Dear Miss Earle and Mr. Wood:-

Your letter of the third reached me a few days ago, and the Hill monographs a little later. We have also received the set of Monographs for the School, which they appreciate having, and for which they are sending an acknowledgment. Did you send any of the numbers of the Journal? I think when I talked with Mr. Newell, he thought we might send them for the last five (?) years - he may have agreed upon ten. Will you take this up with him, please. As we have plenty of copies of these last years, it would be a nice thing to do. They are going to try to build up their numismatic section here this year, and have already asked me to suggest some of the books which they should have. Though not strong, they have Babelon and the B. M. Catalogues, with Head, of course and several of the standard titles, such as the Hunterian, Warren and Ward collections, etc. So, it is rather regrettable that they haven't our own Journal, especially as they may sometime be able to do Mr. Newell a good turn with the Alexanders.

You will have noted the request for addresses in the other part of this letter - which should have been reserved for this, had I realized it in time. If you decide to send ten years of the Journal, it might be well to look into sending it by freight via the Greek line, as there need be no hurry in having it reach here. Otherwise, the American Express here has a live head, and seems to deserve its good reputation.

Regarding publications, I cannot see that the Hill article looks so bad, and the change in numbering - or rather the absence of the change, is one that anybody who is interested will sense. I do hope nothing will go wrong with the Vlasto one, however.

Will you please have made up and sent to me about a dozen each of the two sizes of boxes of plastolene for making impressions. *Also coloring powder - (see memo)* From the amount of work that will have to be done with those I have this winter, I foresee they will scarcely last until your lot arrives. I have written to Mr. Newell that I have got a lot of information regarding the hoard of Mende pieces about which we have been hearing so much, and it may be possible to publish it. In the meantime, I am taking casts of all the pieces I can find in the hands of the dealers and collectors here. Some of these will be sent you as soon as I can arrange for having the package registered.

The Numismatic Museum is closed for the present - locked and sealed up, pending the appointment of a successor to M. Svoronos. I haven't yet called on his family, thinking it would be well to wait until my return from the southern trip.

I hope you received my letter from Philadelphia about the retouching of the plates for Mr. Wood's article, and that Patterson and White wrote you about having done it, as I asked. It seemed to me that their first enthusiasm for accuracy in our work had worn down a bit, and if the responsibility for any errors can be fastened on them, it will do no harm to press home the fact that they are not the only people who are capable of doing our printing.

We do not see an American paper here, and I have not yet arranged to have one sent from England, so I know nothing of what has been going on. Clippings might be interesting, if you find anything that might be pertinent. It seems as though I had been writing letters in every spare minute I have had since I got off the steamer, and so I am going to stop now. With cordial greetings to everyone,

Yours very sincerely,

Sydney P. Noe

Postscript No. 1. I received the letters which were sent in care of Dr. Van Burne at Rome. Thank you.

Kambanis, one of the dealers here who has been very accommodating, asked me to give him three or four of my boxes of wax - that is, to have them sent to him. If it is more convenient, when you are sending the others to me, will you enclose one or two thin slabs of the plasto-lene for him, please?

Athens, Oct. 27, 1922.

Dear Mr. Wood and all the other Numismats:

Little did I think when I cabled, that so much time would have to elapse before I should fulfill my statement that I was writing to you. That however, at the time, was intended more for my folks at home, than for the Museum, but I did hope to have written long before this. But when I at last reached this bourne, after a stop of a single day, I hurried on to Delphi to join the School's party on its northern trip, and by the time we got back here a few days ago, we were all sufficiently tired to want to do nothing for a few days. But more of that anon.

The crossing was uneventful, and my stopping at Palermo did not develope anything of very great interest. I did not see Gabrici, and after a stop of a day, I went on to Siracusa - an all day's journey which left me pretty well tried out when I reached there about eight in the evening. It was a very great disappointment to find that Orsi was away on his vacation, and the cabinet not open for that reason. The other members of the staff were most cordial in showing me everything, including their newest finds of archeological material, but it did not make up for not seeing Orsi. I telegraphed from there, however to Baron Pennisi at Acireale, asking if I might come to see his collection, and received his response that I might.

It is mighty difficult to give any conception of the magnitude and of the splendid quality of his coins. He has two of the decadrachm of Agrigentum, and nearly twenty of those of Syracuse, while for rarities in the tetradrachms, a volume would hardly suffice to merely mention them. Especially rare are the gold coins. He has a number of interesting overstruck pieces, as well - Segesta over Camarina, one or two struck over Athenian pieces, etc., etc. I had taken for him a copy of the Bement Catalogue, and in turn he gave me several pamphlets, and a photograph of the Agrigentum rarities. He did not have much of Metapontum, but he allowed me to take impressions of those I wanted. He and his three sons were much interested in the plastoline, and wanted addresses so that they could obtain some. Will you kindly send me, therefore, the street address of Devoe and Reynolds, and communicate with them and obtain some definitely descriptive name for the variety we use, so that orders from abroad will result in the same grade being sent. They also want this information at Siracusa, but if you will send it to me, I will write to both of the parties. Also, please send the name of the makers of the plaster we use - especially if you have succeeded in securing a better kind than we have been using - you said, I believe, that you were going to try. The talc I brought along is Squibb's unscented - have you found anything better than this - if so, kindly advise.

From Acireale, I went on to Taormina for the night. It was marvellously beautiful in the bright moonlight, and with the vines over the pergola in rich-scented bloom. It looks out over the Mediterranean, and with Aetna in the distance, the prospect is one which it is hard to do justice. The next day I went on to Messina crossing to Reggio that evening and taking a night train for Metapontum, which we were to reach by 11:30 the next day. I got out of the train at Croton, and have a fairly clear impression of Sybaris. It was this latter spot that we reached at six in the morning, and it took that blessed train until 8:45 to tear itself away from the place.

We were nearly on time at Metapontum, and with the guidance of a very ragged urchin, I set out for the four miles walk to the temple ruins. It didn't seem very far off when we started, but I wasn't feeling very well, and by the time we had turned back toward the

station, that deplorable building had moved back from its initial position several miles - at least that is the way it seemed to my weary feet as we crossed the ploughed ground. I am very glad to have seen the temple, however, and to have obtained a good impression of that section of the country.

I did not stop at Tarentum, and on arriving at Brindisi, where I had expected to have to wait a day, I learned that there was a steamer leaving that night, and although there was but an hour's lee-way, I made it all right. This did not save me much time in reaching Athens, for they were delayed at Corfu and at Patras, but I did reach the Piraeus early in the morning of the second day, and the steamer was not intolerable. I found a cordial welcome at the School, and after obtaining some money, prepared for the departure early next morning. This involved going back to Piraeus, and taking another steamer for Itea, which was reached by six that evening. Luckily, I fell in with a returning Greek soldier who was also going to Delphi, and we hired a carriage, and divided the cost. I arrived at the hotel about 10:30, but not for a great deal would I have missed the climb up Mt. Parnassus in the brilliant starlight, with everything quiet, and with a delicious feeling that "Apollo's going to catch you if you don't watch out."

The School's party travels in a Fiat camion which seats fourteen people very comfortably, thus enabling one to reach many out of the way sections which would be inaccessible if reliance on the trains had to be considered. From Delphi we went via Bralo and Chaeronea to Levadhia (see a Baedeker's Greece, if one is available) - from there the next morning to Chalcis, via Thebes. From Chalcis we went to Aulis by boat, passing through the strait of the Euripus on our return. In the afternoon, we went to Eretria. The next day we returned to Athens by way of Tanagra and the beautiful Dekelia Pass.

I must leave a description of the School and of our life there for another letter, because I am making casts today which I want to get off before we leave for the Southern trip, which is scheduled to start tomorrow (for two weeks) if the camion is in shape by then. I have purchased a few coins since I reached here, but as I am writing about them to Mr. Newell, who is most involved, I shall not go into details. The prices of articles here is reasonable because of the drop in exchange, and I have been buying quite a little, finding it impossible to resist some of the embroideries. But for the first few days after we got back, we all had to rest, and now we must all get ready for tomorrow's start.

There is no reason for alarm over the situation in Greece - it seems to be slowly straightening itself out, and there is little or no excitement. There was considerable enthusiasm at a mass-meeting held last Sunday, to which we all went, and about which you have probably read already in the newspapers. Mr. Hill, the Director of the School is, or has been, in charge of the Red Cross relief work, and he is so closely in touch with the situation that he will probably know in ample time if anything serious should arise. This seems hardly likely, however. The refugees deserve a letter to themselves. There are everywhere. The evacuation of Thrace is like a second dispersal of the Acadians, but there are no places for them to go. They sleep in the squares, in buildings under construction in cellars - everywhere. Some of the islands are accommodating refugees to a number equalling their entire population. Yet there is little or no begging, and a rather fine contempt for the treatment that has been given them by the "Christian" nations. The action of the American Red Cross has been characterised in their papers, on the other hand, as "sublime." I will write again as soon as I get back from the southern trip.

Regards to all.

Yours ever,

Sydney P. Noel

Athens, Nov. 19, 1922.

Dear Numismats:

Only a few days ago, we got back from the second of the School's trips - this one to the southern part of the country. Tomorrow we start off again - this time for Olympia. The interval has been all too short, and the million things that have had to be done in between have not left me the time I should have liked for writing a fuller account of my experiences than I shall be able to make this. So please forgive its brevity, and get Mrs. Brett to supply some of the details which I must omit.

We started early on Monday, Oct. 29th, and the first day was memorable for a series of accidents to the camion. Two blow-outs before we reached Corinth made us hope our troubles for the day were over, but trouble with one of the rear wheels between Myli and Tripolis (consult map) held us up for more than two hours. By the time we did reach the latter place, it was after nine, and we were mighty glad our Cook had been sent on ahead by rail to arrange for our dinner and other accommodations. From Tripolis we went out to Mantinea and to Orchomenos which provided a healthy climb amid a wealth of yellow crocuses. The next day we visited Tegea - for the temple and the small Museum. By that time the car had been repaired so that we could go on via Dhimittsana and Kerytaina to Andhritsaena, where the coming of our camion was an event. The lone policeman of the town chased the crowd of boys from about the car several times. The sleeping and eating conditions were very primitive, but as we had a clear day on the morrow for the excursion to Bassae, we did not mind it. We rode on mules through pretty wild country, but the temple at the end of the ride was well worth the effort. We made the run to Megalopolis on our return about four o'clock. From there we went to Lykosoura, and the hills in bloom with heather were very beautiful. The run to Kalamata got us there late in the evening.

From Kalamata we made an excursion to Messine, some of the party climbing Mt. Ithome. We had to wait a day for mules to take us over the Langhada Pass, but this was one of the most delightful of our experiences during the trip. The climb is fairly steady at first, with a magnificent backward look over the bay, and by the time the top of the Pass is reached, we had a clear view of Taygetus, which bore a dusting of snow. Consequently we did not linger - the more so as it was necessary to get through the gorge before dusk caught us. We rode into Sparta on our mules about eight o'clock, rather tired, but glad to have had such a worth-while day. At Sparta our first bad weather struck us - it interfered with our seeing much of Mistra, but fortunately held up the next day so that we made the distance between Sparta and Nauplia in good time, and without accident. Epidaurous, Tiryns, and Mycenae afforded many things of great interest - sherd hunting proved very fascinating. Corinth was, of course, our last objective. We climbed the acropolis there, and with a clear day had a pretty good view. With so much in such a short time, however, there were few of us who were not glad to get back to Athens.

I have been writing Mr. Newell about coin conditions here in Athens - there are great opportunities here this winter. Many of the refugees are cashing in on pieces which have been held hitherto. Byzantine and Mohammedan pieces in fine condition are being sold for their gold weight, while Greek coins are hardly less plentiful. And with the drop in exchange, the prices are not high. The coin cabinet is not yet opened, but as I have plenty to do for some time after I get back from the Olympia trip, I am not worrying. Next time, I hope I shall be able to send you a fuller letter which will tell you more of conditions at the School and in Athens.

Very sincerely yours,

Sydney P. Noel

Athens, Nov. 19, 1922.

Dear Mr. Wood and Miss Earle:-

Thank you for your letter about the set of Roscher's Lexikon. I shall order it when I get back from Olympia, but I have not had time to do so up to now.

I note what you have written about the publications, and I am glad Mr. Hill is pleased. I should like to see a copy of the Vlast book as soon as one is available. I hope there have been no further set-backs with Mr. Wood's "Commemorative Issues."

There has been so much journeying since I reached here, that I hardly feel as though I were here, even yet. This Olympia jaunt, however, is the last extensive one that is planned, and after that, things should quiet down for a bit. There is so much that is new to me, and which I must get into my head in some fashion. Two of the men at the School - that is on the teaching staff, if one can call it such - are specialists in subjects of which I know very little - one in pottery and the other in architecture. I cannot afford to give much time to either, but as they have developed their side of things on the trips, it has been interesting and beneficial for me to get what I can. When we get back, and I have time to call on the people to whom Mr. Newell has given me introductions, I expect to confine myself more strictly to numismatic matters. In the meantime, I pick up interesting coins when I can afford to do so, and I find that buying the pieces sharpens one's observative powers tremendously. The coins which were found at Colophon last year are here at the School, and they want me to do something with them, but I have not yet seen them, and the majority of them are, I believe, bronze and indecipherable.

I asked Miss Reilly to write me around the first of the year as to how the Library Fund stood. Will you please ask her if she has done so? Miss Meagher sent me a brief line which I was very glad to receive - it would be nice if she would keep me in touch with Library happenings. I should also like to hear of any important accessions. Now I must close this up and get it into a letter-box. Greetings to all the members of the force - I can visualize you all and New York does not seem so very far away after all.

Yours ever,

Sydney P. Noe

P.S. Send p.c.s for Miss Reilly and
Miss Meagher - others will follow.

S. P. N.

November 28th, 1922

Dear Numismatist, Field Explorer and Archaeologist:

I have put off answering your letter as I wanted to report on the various commissions, etc. embodied in your letters of October 27th.

The other day I sent off about twenty numbers of the Journal. I began these with Benson's article on Greek coins, so they now have Vols. XXXIV to date. These went forward by American Express, prepaid to the tune of \$14.90, so you can see how much we love you and the American School at Athens.

We are still awaiting the Vlasto monograph. When it does eventually reach us, it will be at once shipped out. Everything is in readiness. The Coinage of Tegucigalpa manuscript is in the hands of Lent & Graff, the first galley proofs of which we received last Saturday, and the work was so carefully handled and well done that they have been instructed to proceed straightway to page proof.

Mr. Huntington has commissioned Mrs. Brett to make the catalogues for the Sculpture exhibition. There will be a Grand Catalogue de Luxe, a Medal Catalogue in Numismatic Notes and Monographs, and two little catalogues to sell at ten cents. Mrs. Brett has already begun work. All the supplies, desks, typewriters, etc. are beginning to pour in. And telephone extensions are to be placed in her room and Mr. Newell's. The headquarters of these publications will be in Mrs. Brett's room. Lampsakos is still in her hands, having been returned to her for revision after it was typewritten, and it looks as if it will remain with her for a long time.

Now for the plasterline - I have been scurrying around town trying to find some of our old yellow kind and cannot locate any; and as we had only comparatively little on hand, I could only send you six boxes of this that was soft enough for your use. In a day or so I will send you some reddish kind, the same as Dr. Robinson gave you a sample of, from Devoe and Reynolds. Newell and I have been talking this over, and we both think that you had better not advocate this plasterline as you are liable to get into trouble because it does tarnish and injure the coins unless one is extremely careful. In other words, we cannot today get as good stuff as we did five or six years ago. The best came from Italy; just what it was called, I do not know. Therefore, tell your Italian friends that they had better experiment themselves by going to Art supply stores there. Also, I should think that there would be some art supply store in Athens that has this stuff. As near as I can make out, all

of the best comes from Europe, and when it reaches us no name of the maker is on the package. I am also sending you a tin of the burnt sienna.

As for the talcum powder, I think any that you ^{can} get in the drug stores, scented or unscented, will do. I am still using the coarse kind here that I got last as I have not had the time to look around for anything better.

The plaster of Paris we have been using is Kerr Snow-white, made by Detroit Dental Manufacturing Company, Detroit, Mich. This is what we have been using for sometime, and Mrs. Desmetteville says is satisfactory. I cannot conceive that plaster of Paris of a good grade would be hard to obtain in Athens.

The address of Devos & Reynolds is 101 Fulton Street, New York; and the plasterline that I am sending over in a few days is from their place. It is a terra-cotta coloured stuff and is called Composite Modeling Wax, Ideal Brand Plasterline, but I do not recommend it.

We have snow on the ground today and it looks as if we shall have a hard winter although we have had a mild Fall. We have plenty of coal in the building.

Dr. Robinson (the undertaker) spent a few days in New York last week and brought the sunshine of his smile to the building several times. The clock over the Coin room is now to be heard tick-tocking in a stately and dignified way, thoroughly in keeping with this House of Culture. We can think up no further news. Oh, yes we can. Miss Florence Levy has been appointed Director of the new Art Academy in Baltimore.

We were glad to get your letters - but don't overdo it. We have had two in, let me see, about ten weeks. (Of course, this isn't Woodie's remark; he is more polite than I am, as you know!)

We all send greetings and best wishes,

Athens, Dec. 3, 1922.

Dear Numismats:-

My preceding letter had to be written in such a hustle that it must have seemed like a catalogue of the towns in the Peloponnesus through which I had passed. But now that our major jauntings are over, I hope to have some time, and in some measure to make up for previous neglect.

First of all, Merry Christmas to all. And if this doesn't get to you in time, Happy New Year, anyway. We celebrated Thanksgiving here in style, and are looking forward to at least two New Year celebrations, if not to two Christmases. We are now supposed to settle down to routine work for the winter, and save for occasional trips for a day or so, shall probably do little before spring.

I suppose the shooting of the former political leaders must have made something of a stir in the newspapers at home. Aside from some subdued excitement, there has been little evidence of it noticeable here. All the friends of the present government wish that they, or it, could have been better advised, and that they could have punished these men in another way. Before the trial was concluded, the British representative here threatened to leave the country if the men were convicted, and his action is held by many to have contributed to the outcome, which may not necessarily have been a foregone conclusion. At any rate, it brought intense resentment. The men of the army seem to have determined that those they hold responsible for the disaster to the Greek Army in Asia Minor should not go unpunished, and since they seem to have had pretty reliable evidence against these men, it looks as though Greece might be the initiator of a not bad precedent - that of holding politicians responsible for their actions.

My former letter was written on the eve of our departure for Olympia. We left for the six o'clock train (yes, A. M.) on Monday, Nov. 20th, stopping over night at Corinth, for the excavations made in former years by the American School, and again at Patras the next night. As it was, we did not reach Olympia until two of the following day. The Museum and the excavations there afforded a feast of fat things, and we had three days there. Starting back, we had to leave by a train at five A. M.. Several of the party were left at Patras, so they did not reach Athens until Sunday, but this was also true of those who were not left, for they reached Athens at the unearthly hour of three in the morning. It is no wonder that archeologists are few, is it?

At Athens, I have not yet gained access to the Numismatic Museum, although there seems to be promise. I have met M. Constantopoulos, however, and we learned that there is to be a meeting tomorrow at which Svoronos's successor may be appointed. In the meantime, besides my work on the Mende coins, I have been going over the coins found in the School excavations at Colophon. There are some 482 pieces, and as many of them are of bronze, I am learning not a little about the coinage of this portion of Asia Minor. Some of the material is regarding, and it may work up into an article, although it is too soon to prophesy. This afternoon I am invited to visit the collection of Dr. Petsalis, and I am hoping for some more Mende material, as well as other possibilities. There are also some of the coins found at Corinth here at the School, and with several other private collections to which I hope to obtain access, there will be much to keep me occupied. Mr. Seltman has arrived at the British School, and there is therefore a pleasant association with him in prospect. I find it necessary to speak French (my brand is atrocious) fairly frequently, and am doing some reading with another of the students in German, and find both very much worth while as training. Good-bye for the present. Letters are much appreciated.

Yours ever,

Sydney P. Noe

December 21st, 1922

Dear Brer Noe:

Now that Miss Warle is back, I will take up my pen and answer your letters of November 19th and December 3rd to the Numismats and other eating places! Although Miss Warle will typewrite this, I am dictating with a very firm hand, and I will interpolate right here that you will be very lucky if you get this at all as she is very much peeved because she has received no strictly personal letter. She has declared as far as she is concerned, not a hunger strike but a letter strike, and she will take a lot of appeasing!

Now to get down to brass tacks - or, since you are in Greece, iron spits. You certainly have been making a pretty good anabasis of the Peloponnesus.

The papers have been full of the happenings in Greece, and it seems to me that every move the Greek make is an excuse for the European Powers to make Greece more of a shuttlecock than ever. Our man at the Lausanne Conference seems to be able to inject a good deal of common sense into their affairs.

Leslie Shear brought up the other day the thirty gold coins from Sardis, and we photographed them for him, but he does not want to give them much publicity until the Conference is over.

I sent you a little more wax a day or so ago. I have found none as yet absolutely satisfactory. The Numismatic Journals left on Dec. 6th on the Maid of Peara by American Express, weight 60 lbs. Therefore, you should have them before this letter reaches you.

Gallatin and Garrett have been elected to the Council. All hands are busy sending out circular letters - one to A.N.A. members requesting them to join; the replies coming in are favorable. I am also writing to all of our members a friendly letter asking them to advise us as to what they collect and are most interested in numismatically. The replies to this though numerous are not quite up to my expectations. We are also sending out a circular letter asking for subscriptions to defray the cost of the new swing cases for Decorations.

Mr. Levis is in New York and I am in constant communication with him. As yet I have not seen him as he has been laid up with the gout.

Two days ago, we received the first copy of the Vlasto monograph and expect to get delivery of the whole edition at the end of this week. The book looks very well indeed. It is unfortunate that it has been delayed so long but apparently it couldn't be helped. However, the result I think is excellent. We are preparing to send it out between Christmas and the New Year. Mrs. Brett's article will follow some time in January, and Tegucigalpa after that. Miss Earle and I intend to give no further work to Patterson & White while we are running things anyhow. Lent & Graff have done very good work on my Tegucigalpa article, and we will perhaps let them have more work. We immediately sent the advance copy of No.15 to M. Vlasto and wrote him that he would very shortly receive the number entitled to him.

Miss Brett is in full swing on the Sculpture Exhibition catalogues. Large de luxe volumes and our small form.

Mr. Newell is now up here most of the time, hard at work on straightening out the coins he bought in Europe and his copious notes. He also is editing a manuscript from, I think, Morgan on a continuation of the coins of Tyre, I believe.

Mr. Gillingham has presented me with his latest baby - Italian Decorations. So far I have not had time to glance at it even.

We have been passing your letters around to all of those who might be interested in them, and we are following your peregrinations on the map like a set of school children. Miss McAllister brought in your No.3 letter yesterday.

I have just received a bill from Baer for Paulys Realencyclopedie, amounting to 352112.50 marks, but I think this is for Newell. Although the bill looks terrific, it may not figure out quite so bad.

Miss Reilly wrote you the other day, fixing up the library account. And I think Miss Neacher has done her bit likewise, therefore you have heard from most of your harem.

As you are going to celebrate two Christmases and two New Years, Greek and Latin, we send you secondary season's greetings for the Greek festivities

Yours ever,

Athens, Jan. 3, 1923.

Dear Numismats:-

For some time I have been struggling with a feeling that I owed you a letter, but if you have all been as busy in connection with Christmas at home as we have been here, you will not have had time to miss not having received it.

Since my last letter, I have obtained access to the Numismatic Museum, although it looked for a long time as though this would never come to pass. A committee has been placed in charge of making an inventory, pending the appointment of a successor to M. Svoronos, and these three men are at the Museum for three afternoons of each week, and Seltman and I are able to be there at the same time. Again and again it is borne in upon me how great has been my loss in not having known Svoronos. Much that now has to be done with the greatest expenditure of energy would have been very easy had he still been alive. Mr. Bløgen, the Assistant Director of the School, called with me on Mme. Svoronos last week. It seems that Svoronos was stricken the day the news of the fall of Smyrna came, and he died four days later. One of the sons is a Turkish prisoner - they have heard from him only recently, so he is probably still alive. The eldest son, an officer, is frequently at the Museum. He speaks English slightly, and I have talked with him about the Journal and any papers which his father may have left. They are going to try to continue the Journal, he says.

I have seen one important private collection, and have an appointment to call on M. Empedocles, who has been absent in England. The dealers here are beginning to want to make up any difference in the rate of exchange, and one of the men who had just come back from Macedonia says that all the peasants are asking prices in English pounds for their coins. If one could get at the coins before the dealers get them, there might be a different tale. I see quite a bit of Mr. Seltman and his wife - the entire British School were our guests on Christmas night for dinner and for a dance afterwards. Another evening we were entertained by them - games and charades provided a lot of laughter - especially the acting of "gable" where for the whole they depicted a reconstruction of the pediment of the Temple of Zeus at Olympia.

We have enjoyed only two trips since I wrote you. The first was to Phyle - a fourth century fortress amid the hills about an hour's ride in the car from Athens. The climb was not a stiff one, and although there was snow in places, there were also crocuses, cyclamen and English daisies. Coming back we stopped at a tiny monastery, perched at the head of a gorge with a wall of rock behind it, and a marvellous view down the valley. Getting out among the hills makes a splendid diversion.

Last Saturday we went to Marathon and Thoricos. We had to make an early start, but the day was perfect, and we reached our objective by ten-thirty. The air was balmy - one of the boys went in bathing, and reported that it was extremely enjoyable and not at all cold. We ate lunch seated on the ground in the blazing sun. The color effects are simply beyond my power of words. The sea is a deeper blue than seems credible, and the contrast of the rocks with the water makes unforgettable pictures. It is in this neighborhood that the famous silver mines of Laurium, from which the metal for the Athenian owls was obtained. We hoped to go down some of the ancient shafts, but there wasn't time. Coming back we stopped at Thoricos where the Theatre was excavated by the American School many years ago, and where there are some ancient walls near the crest of a fairly steep hill. One gets considerable climbing - even in Athens, and the distances there give one plenty of exercise. Will write again soon.

Yours ever

Sydney P. Nos

Athens, Jan. 5, 1923.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

Thank you very much for your letter of the 28th of November. It was very slow in reaching me, and I have been waiting in the hope that I might report the receipt of some of the ~~things~~ things which you have so kindly been sending. They are, however, slower than first class matter, and it may take several weeks before they reach my hands.

I am sorry the plastoline has caused you so much bother, and I have borne in mind your warning about the dangers of its use, and repeated them in every case where I have been asked to give them information regarding it. I shall also tell Baron Pennisi that he ought to be able to find it in Italy, and perhaps renewed search will enable him to do so. If Devoe and Ryenolds could supply the name of manufacturers in Europe who should be able to supply it, they would be doing him and us a favor. Then I could refer to that address when asked about the material.

The word about the sculpture exhibition is exciting, and you must be in the midst of the preparations by now. We had considerable fun here - a dinner to which the members of the British School were invited in the evening - twenty-four at table - followed by a dance which lasted until two in the morning. We had joke gifts which provoked much merriment, although they would probably not have seemed funny to anyone outside of the school.

I have been going around like a wind-mill in a big breeze the past few days, and although I planned getting this letter off the early part of the week, it is now Friday, and unless I mail it tonight it will have to lay over until next Tuesday, because Monday is the Greek Christmas. Tomorrow, we plan to go to Eleusis, if it doesn't rain. I have been having a session with one of the coin-dealers yesterday and today - he is selling a collection privately - practically that, and he has let me in on some of the things. I got most of what Mr. Newell would want, I think, and at reasonable prices. Last night, in a down-pour of rain, I ~~want~~ went to see Empedocles collection. He had made the appointment and so when the time came, I had to go, weather or no. He has another tremendous lot of Mende pieces. That reminds me - will it add too much to your burdens, the next time you are photographing casts, to make casts of Mr. Newells two or three staters of Mende and of the half-dozen which I got when in Paris - from Rollin - Feuardent. They are in the collection of casts in the big cabinet just outside the door of your coin-room. I cannot trust to memory for the combinations of dies, and if you could have them photographed and send me the print at your convenience, I should very much appreciate it. I did think, when I started this letter, that I might get through it without asking you to do something more for me - but you see!

Mr. Seager arrived here yesterday, and we had a very interesting time together last evening. He goes on to Crete, and from there to Egypt - probably for the winter.

If you could see me and my room, you would think that Numismatics is a weariness of the flesh and that of the making of casts there was no end - and you would be pretty nearly right. So please discount any lack of ideas or perversion of them, and when you get a spare hour, sit down and tell me about things on Washington Heights.

Yours very sincerely,

Sydney P. Noe

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THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
BROADWAY, BETWEEN 155TH
AND 156TH STREETS
NEW YORK

Athens, Jan. 19, 1923.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

Mighty glad to get your letter of the 21st, with its welcome batch of news. Thank you too, for the word of warning about an unappeased Secretary. Don't breathe a word of it to her, but I have begun a series of letters which I am carefully dating back a month or so, in the hope that I can blame the delay on the post office and not spend the next few months getting up my courage ~~for~~ returning home.

Now to get down to iron spits, since you insist in making that your figure - I received today the copy of Vlasto's book, and while I haven't read it through - you catch me doing it, either - I certainly agree with you that its appearance is very creditable. I notice that two of the cuts in the copy I received are less clear than they would have been with more blocking up, but I am not going to look for flaws. The book makes a very presentable showing, and I shall be much interested to see reviews of it, if any there may be. Please tell me, too, what Mr. Huntington's reaction to it is - may there be no need of your having to break it gently! Mr. Empedocles received his copy today, too, and he told me that he liked this volume and the form in general, very much.

I'm glad to hear that the Sardis gold has at last reached the vault - you and Newell can be counted on to put any possible spokes in the way of its leaving there. I also note that Messrs. Gallatin and Garrett have been elected to the Council - Fine! Also that Mr. Gillingham's manuscript is in your hands - no comment. Please give my regards to Mr. Levis when you see him, if they arrive in time for you to do so - perhaps I may see him in London when I get there.

Your publication plan looks fine - more power to your elbow. I'm glad you have found Lent and Graff satisfactory, and I am absolutely in accord with your position with respect to Patterson and White, although I know only in general, what conditions have brought it about. I was quite disgusted with them at the time of my call on them in Philadelphia, and thought I had written to you to that effect. Yes, the Pauly-Wissova Realencyclopedie is for Mr. Newell. I did receive Miss Reilly's letter as well as another from Miss Leagher. Both were much appreciated, and I expect to reduce the amount of the Library balance before I get back, though hardly to any considerable extent before I leave Greece.

You will perceive that I have had to keep most personal material to swell the accompanying letter, and of much of my numismatic activity I am writing to Newell who will pass on as much as he desires. I am, if anything, more busy than ever - it is impossible to see where the time goes. I hope that you and your family are keeping well and happy.

Very sincerely yours,

Sydney P. No

Letter to Newell will
have to wait a day or so!

January 26th, 1923

Dear Noe:

To forestall criticism, I will state here clearly and distinctly that my conduct in the shape of letterwriting has been below the high ideal I set for myself; but if you will cast about in the back of your mind, you may remember that we have just had an Annual Meeting. Everything but the TREASURER'S REPORT has been for sometime in the hands of the printer and we are now working on proof, so you see there is still some hustle left in some of the old birds you left perched disconsolately on the coping at 155th Street.

We were beginning to get decidedly alarmed, and were preparing to take up with the State Department the question of your whereabouts; and we were going to have Mr. Gillingham interview the War and Navy Department to send troops and warships to scour the Near East for you.

We have written Aaron de Ponziani all we know and didn't know about wax. They say the best Italian wax is made by Soffrido Giudice, S. Martino d'Albaro, Genoa, Italy. The kind that we have gotten tarnishes coins slightly, but they may make other waxes. The plastercine D. and T. have is no good, and it is made in this country.

Vlasto has written us as you will see from the enclosed, and sent his pages of corrections. We are sending you all of the material as Mr. Lowell said as you had been handling all of it, he thought that this matter had better be placed in your hands, and we have written Vlasto to this effect. If we should print these corrections, all of us agree that certain fool corrections should not be included, as a list of too many changes would make a bad impression.

We are in the throes of correcting every letter, word, line, sentence and paragraph of Gillingham's Italian Decorations.

The Medallion Exhibition is decidedly with us! The stuff is coming in slowly but surely, but we cannot hustle things because there is to be a big medal exhibition in Pittsburgh in March, so that everything is going to land upon us at the last moment.

We are all glad to know that you are having such a good time with the ladies and gentlemen of the School; and as we hear very little about studies we are conjecturing whether you will get a diploma for piano-playing or classical flirtations.

The Annual Meeting was no different from other Annual Meetings. A few over a quorum; the usual reports, and little or no business. Mr. Selden ably filled Mr. Gillingham's shoes who was absent, by praising to the sky, the officers, etc.

I have dug out the Wende casts and Howell has loaned me his coins. We will photograph the whole business for you the next time the photographer comes up. I am glad that you are able to see some coins and have picked up some good pieces. If they are using stamps or stamp cardboard for money, send some of these home.

Very truly,

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Athens Branch,
Feb. 1, 1926.

Dear Miss Earle and Mr. Wood:-

Your delightfully witty and brilliant letter of Jan. 2nd deserves a like reply, but I fear I am not capable of such this bright morning, much though I should like to retort in kind. Lately I have been oppressed by the sense of unwritten letters hanging over me, until I have gotten so I cannot abide the thought of a letter. It is a very different matter when one has to do the writing ones-self.

But to take up in order the points of your communication. I note the commission to purchase decorations to the sum of \$25. on Mr. G.'s account, and shall see what I can do. I have written thanking him, and telling him that I have not seen much in this line since I arrived. So more of this later.

Regarding the Vlasto monograph, I hope what you write. No, it will hardly prove popular, and I certainly shall not court another job of that kind. But don't you think that the double plates are a step in the right direction, and doesn't it seem to you that having that as an object lesson in carefulness there may be some benefit to some of our membership who are content with slipshod thinking and loose English? Marvin's charge, as you say, is considerable, but when the amount of the work involved is considered, it does not seem excessive to me. What will you charge for the volume. If the edition was 800, the cost will be over three dollars. Anyone who wants it will be able to pay five dollars as easily as less, and as this is one of the few things which might sell abroad, we ought to make a little on the copies we sell.

As for Paterson and White, there is little to be said in their favor, so far as I can see. The only reason for giving them our work must be that they can do it more cheaply (or better for the same price) than we can have it done elsewhere. That reminds me, however, that our arrangement with respect to Mrs. Brett's Lampsacus article was based on an estimate of theirs - was it not? Marvin was somewhat in excess of their figure, but if they are going to behave thusly and if the amount available in the Journal Fund is adequate for Marvin's figure, because they have type to match the former brochure, it might be well to submit the copy to them and ask for another estimate - giving them the work if it is satisfactory. My letter to Mrs. Brett while she was away for the summer will give you the details of what she agreed to do with respect to cost for additional plates and above amount we had available.

Nothing very exciting since last writing - as you will see from my other letter. Letter from Tudeer enclosed. Of the making of casts there is no end, and much numismatics is a weariness of the flesh,

Yours ever
Sydney P. Hiss

Athens, Feb. 12, 1923.

Dear Numismats:-

There is a feeling of having neglected you of late but as a matter of fact there has been little about which to write. I have been spending an average of three afternoons ^{a week} at the Museum, and most of this time has been occupied with the records of the coin hoards there. These records are written in modern Greek script, and to anyone who knows the difficulties of Modern Greek when printed no further description of my tribulations will be necessary. There has been some worth while material among it, however, as I hope to be able to show you when I reach home.

I have seen little that is new in the way of coins since the last letter - one never knows here what will turn up - a condition which adds spice to existence. Some missionary work is being done with the students at the School - most of them take a fairly lively interest in coins by now, and three or four of them have small collections which they have started. They threaten to make me "read a paper" at an Open Meeting which is being planned, but I do not look forward to it very eagerly.

Last week we had two lectures by Mr. Wace, the head of the British School on the recent excavations at Mycenae, and as his slides showed sites with which we had become familiar while at Mycenae, his talk proved very interesting, even if it didn't concern itself with material any later than 1500 B. C. When Mr. Seager was here, ^{he and} we had several talks on the coins of Crete, and he promised to prepare an article for our series on the unpublished coins of this island - a supplementary article to that of Svoronos, I presume, but one which should prove highly worth while. Mr. Seltman is also preparing an account of an important hoard which we found here containing a number of unpublished pieces. He hopes to finish it before he leaves so that it can be submitted to the Publication Committee. There is a prospect of our School party going to Crete for a week or ten days, but the date has not yet been decided. I hope, too, if possible, to get to Constantinople, but conditions there are still ticklish. Volo and possibly Salonique are also possibilities, but I wish to wait a little for spring weather.

Speaking of weather, one would never know that it was winter. We have had but one snow, and that disappeared before noon of the day it fell. And the weather for our trips has been ideal. Two weeks ago last Friday, we went to the Aphiareion, not far from Oropus. It is not a great distance north of Marathon and Rharnus which we had visited earlier, but to get there, one has to cross the lovely Dekelia Pass, with its wonderful view down into the Boeotian Plain and over the straits to Euboea. The ruins are not remarkably interesting, although their situation makes getting there attractive.

The following week, we went to Vari - a cave near the coast between Athens and Sunion. It was excavated by the American School in or about 1900, and I discovered that the coins found there had been classified by Mrs. Breet. One of the girls found a coin of Constantine while we were there. Davis found a ring with an engraved stone, and I found an engraved gem without a ring as well as a nice little terra cotta head. Such items as these, together with pot-sherds make very attractive souvenirs of our excursions.

The political situation finds, so far as we can observe, but little expression in Athens. Certainly there is nothing of an alarming nature apparent. The letters which I have received have been much enjoyed, although the service is very tardy. With cordial greetings to every one of you,

Yours very sincerely,

Henry A. Mearns

Athens, Mar. 2, 1923.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

Your welcome letter of Jan. 28th was and is much appreciated. I found it on my return from Constantinople. I note that you feel you have fallen below the standard for letter-writing which you set yourself, and that you imply that the same is true of others. Don't feel badly about your end of it, for I am beginning to realise that each letter received means one more to answer. Not that I am anything but glad to hear of affairs at the Society - perhaps I am just satiated with letter-writing.

Congratulations on the progress with the Proceedings and with other publication material. The "old birds" are certainly putting up a good scrap. It was my expectation that you would not have to be burdened with the Gillingham article until I got back, but fate seems to be unkind to you. I note what you write with regard to Vlasto and you will by this time have received the carbon of my letter to him ~~replied to~~ ~~by~~ ~~before~~ despatched before yours was received and included in one of my letters to Mr. Newell. If I see him when he reaches Athens, I shall be a little stiff, to say the least, and I certainly feel, with you, that some of the foolish corrections should be eliminated. I have loaned my copy of the volume to Seltman, who thinks it a very fine piece of work, so cannot go into details.

Do tell me something more about the Medallion Exhibition. When is it to open, and how long will it last? Will there be a possibility of securing some of the desirable material which is not yet represented in our collection - might not a hint that there is such desired, bear fruit if whispered in Mr. H's direction?

What you seem to insinuate regarding "classical flirtations" is quite incomprehensible. There is no such course given here! Besides, did you ever hear of a numismatist acting in such a fashion? Mr. Newell has probably told you of some of the material I have been buying for him. It has begun to accumulate to such an alarming extent, that I am considering returning either direct or from Italy, rather than carting it with me all over northern Europe. The only thing to take me there is Berlin's attractions, and I do think I can manage to get the material I need without going there. However, it is a little early to decide and I shall advise you more fully later. Mr. Beaver writes that he may be here in a week or so, and if he will take it, I may give him some of the coins to bring back with him. In Constantinople, I bought two decorations - one Russian, and the second Afghanistaneese. I probably got stuck with them, but I paid only five dollars apiece for them and they are in pretty good condition. I am enclosing a cast of one of the Axumite coins which I saw in Const. It is of gold, of course, and the price asked was 20 Turkish pounds, or about \$12.50. It is pierced, as you will see, and I did not feel sure that it was not one of a variety already in our collection. In any event, I can still get it, if you want it - or at least I think I can. If you do, send me a cheque, for from present indications I shall soon have to buy a steamship ticket to make sure I shall not spend my passage money back. They are using stamps here in Greece, but without any covering. Almost any stamps pass - Shall I get you a complete set? I do not feel that you would really want them, but can get them easily if you do. Paper money predominates in Turkey - save for a few metal pieces. Filthy stuff it is to handle, too.

Yours ever,

Sydney P. Noe

Athens, March 2,, 1923.

Dear Humanists:-

Back from Constantinople just a few days ago, after an exciting week of sight-seeing. From all that we could learn when we started, we might expect to be massacred on very slight provocation, and I think some of our party were a bit disappointed that our experiences there were not more eventful. For example, we heard that fires are of great frequency there - much of the construction is of wood - but not a fire did we see. There were one or two of their primitive fire engines in evidence at one or two places we visited - they consist of a sort of two handled pump, and the procedure for the firemen, so we were told, is to reach a conflagration and immediately start a controversy with the owner as to whether or not the fire should be extinguished.

The plan to go was decided upon very suddenly. I learned on Friday that a steamer was leaving the next day, and that it seemed to meet my personal needs very nicely, for I thought to come back by way of Salonica. So I announced my decision, and four of the others of the school stated that they wanted to go too, so we had a very pleasant party of five to start on Saturday noon. The weather was not so considerate as it has been on previous occasions - C. is much colder than Athens, and there was rain for at least two of the days we were there. But we did see the museum, including the portion closed to visitors, and we found that all the rumors to which we had listened almost without foundation. Not only were we able to move freely everywhere about the town, but at no time did we experience anything but the greatest of courtesy. We visited enough mosques to last me for some time, although some of them are very beautiful indeed. You will not need to be told that it is necessary either to remove one's shoes or to don great slippers which go on over one's boots, and if you could have seen us skating around in these things, I am sure that you would have had to smile broadly.

C. is very much of a cosmopolitan city, just now. There are a great many soldiers and sailors there - American, English, French and Italian, to say nothing of the Turks. These latter are a very fine looking body of men, as a rule, and so are many of the civilians. One afternoon we took one of the Bosphoros steamers and went about half way to the Black Sea. Another day, some of the party went to watch the Howling Dervishes at Scutari. We were there for the birthday of the Prophet, and the girls saw the Sultan when he went to the Mosque of Mohammed the Conqueror for prayers. I spent some time in the Bazaars, coin hunting, and I obtained a few pieces that are of interest, including an electrum stater of Lampsacus at a very low figure. I wish I had had a little more money to spend for I think there are some very fine pieces to be had reasonably just now. As soon as conditions improve, the picking will not be so good. It is a great place for Russian Decorations, for example. But one can no more sound the possibilities of those Bazaars in the time I had at my disposal than fly. We took snapshots of some of the interesting sights, and these I hope to be able to show you when I get back.

It was striking to see how much further spring is advanced at Athens, when we got back. Although the difference in latitude is not very great, Athens is protected by its surrounding hills and is noticeably warmer. The flowers are out in profusion and the hills and their slopes are becoming green very rapidly. I am eager to get out into the country again at the earliest opportunity. We expect to go to Crete, but not for several weeks, at least.

Very sincerely yours,

Sydney P. Nor

P.S. ~~Monday~~ the King & Queen &
Queen were at the School for
Tea - we had a jolly time.

April 10th, 1923

Dear Nee:

I am forwarding herewith a letter from Miss Meagher. This she was preparing to send you but has now been taken sick. I have just received a note from a friend of hers stating that she now has appendicitis. How much or how bad, I do not know. She has been nursing all sorts of germs all winter. I think you wrote her something about making casts for Newell. Mr. Newell says he already has these casts, therefore you need not trouble yourself about them.

By the way, did the School ever receive the case of Journals which we sent shortly after your arrival in Greece? I think I sent you the Express shipment, but have received no word from you about the matter.

The Sculpture Exhibition is progressing in great shape. The whole terrace and lawns look like Wrath in Despair! But that is only to be expected just before the Dawn! I think it is going to look swell on the opening day (Thursday), and will run until August 1st. They have more than sufficient stuff to satisfy everybody.

If there is anything else I want to say, these strenuous times have driven it from my memory.

Very truly,

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THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
BROADWAY, BETWEEN 155TH
AND 156TH STREETS
NEW YORK

Athens, April 1, 1934

Dear Mr. Wood:-

Your letters of March 13th and 23rd were awaiting me when I got back from Mt. Athos, where I had such a wonderful time. I am enclosing some sheets which I had to reduplicate for my letter home, and as much of the rest of the trip was like what you may read there if you are interested, you will not miss a great deal because there is not more of it. On my way back I stopped at Volo, where I had been informed I should be able to secure very rare coins from the natives at ridiculously low prices. The report proved to be exaggerated. I did, however, secure one or two rarities, about which I am saying nothing to Mr. Nowell, because I do want a few surprises for him when I get back.

I am glad that there is some prospect of the Sculpture Exhibition still being in situ when I get back. I think I may have written to you already that I now plan to come by way of Italy direct, although there is just a possibility that I may come by way of London because I have learned of 29 more Attic pieces which are in England, and because Mr. Hill has broached a matter which may make it desirable for me to come back that way. I do want to get back on time, if possible, not only to take up my share of the burden which you have been shouldering so generously, but because of conditions at home. There is a terrific mass of matter to be attended to here first however, as well as in Sicily where I want to see Orsi and meet Dr.

The news about Mr. Huntington is quite thrilling. So, too, that concerning the Elmsworth Collection. Congratulations on the Proceedings. They seem O. K. to me. Try to stave off Mr. Gillingham's monograph. Your sketch of the "way the terrace is beginning to look" delighted me. Do some more.

I will see what can be done about your desire for a complete set of Greek stamps, although I fear Greeks do not do things with complete neatness. They are not counted for use as money, but merely passed about just as they are. Note what you say about my letter to Vlasto. Mr. Nowell will have received his response by now, and my acceptance of his statement that we needn't print a list of corrections. Maybe he is peeved, but so was I.

Two days ago I received the package of wax sent last year, together with my Christmas packages. I cannot say much about the pink variety as yet, but am not greatly impressed. It dries out very quickly and was rather hard when it arrived. Please give my greetings to Mrs. Wood, and do not work too hard. I hope Miss Leagher is better. Greetings to inquiring friends, if any inquire.

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AND 156TH STREETS
NEW YORK

August 2, 1923.

Dear Mr. Webb:-

At the end of a busy day, being eleven o'clock
on Sunday, the 2nd of August, with a storm of rain
and wind, I write; but I must not be too long in this
for the day is almost over. I have been busy all afternoon,
I just don't know.

First of all, we did receive the box of Journals, and I have
have neglected to advise you of that fact, although I thought I
had done so. Thank you very much. I enclose a set of stamps
for the year, as you have asked for them. I have also sent you

are no counterstamped issues for the occupation of Asia Minor.
Did you receive a booklet of stamps for the year? They
are of number of varieties, but I cannot say.

Now as my plan. Mr. Webb, I have written me
and it will not be necessary to go back by way of London -

at least it now looks that way. It is possible to secure
reduced fares on the Greek line for September, and the best of
that line is scheduled to sail on June 11th, I am planning
to leave from here, rather than from London as I first thought.

Another fact which has brought about a decision has come in
the form of an invitation to join one of the parties on a cruise around
the Cyclades. This will take nearly three weeks, and as I must

stick to the Sicily to see Osi as well, time for my own is pretty well
filled. Will you please pass this information to Mr. Russell,
and ask Miss Carle to send it to Mrs. Clester.

Very truly,
Sydney P. Noe

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The University Club
Madison, Wisconsin

Oct. 28/26

Dear Word:-

A shameful amount of time has passed since I received your request about West's ms., but I have been so bedevilled with things that had to be done that it just hasn't got answered. If it is not in a folder in the 3rd drawer on the left of my desk, it may be in the double drawer on the right (the lowermost one) or possibly in the show case on the balcony in front of the Decorations - books. I was under the impression I had shown either you or Mrs. Baker when it was first left - but no matter. Hope you have found it before now.

Matters have gone beautifully so far. The talk at Iowa

City, Chicago University, and
there were not crowded but those
present were interested and showed
it. I met Prof Brewster at Chicago
and a Russian here named Kiselev
who knows Priddy and Goggin.
He promises to come to see us when
he is in New York.

Early next week I am due in
St. Louis. I think I told you we
are due back in New Brunswick
Nov. 6th. Just you might make
mistaken deductions, I state for
your information that the honeymoon
element in the trip is not being
reflected. There seem to be either
friends or relatives or classmates at
every stop and we are having
what might be called a "top-hole"
time. Regards to Mrs. Newell
and Reilly and Mistress Vi.
Yours ever
Noe

October 26th, 1926

Dear Nee:

Very glad to know personally and at first hand that you are alive.

I have had no chance since reading your letter to have a second thorough search for West's manuscript, but will do so as soon as V.L.B. retires to her typewriter.

Our most recent acquisition to my harem, which has been sadly depleted since Miss Meagher went out into the world, seems to be taking hold in good shape. I think you will like her.

Mrs. Brett came back the other day, and went to the Archaeological Club at Princeton for its meeting. Mr. Newell is still in the country, and Mr. Reilly comes up now and then.

Mr. Beatty is back, came in on Saturday, and wishes to be remembered to you.

Glad to know you are having such a wonderful time. Keep on having it.

Very truly,

Bishop Place
New Brunswick N.J.

My dear Mr. Wood:—

Sydney was for writing you
himself, but I am trying to keep
him flat on his back, and so
I am sending you word that
he cannot be in tomorrow
(Tuesday). He has had a heavy
chest cold and some fever—
which is with him today—and
I hope to keep him quiet for at
least another day, and I hope

Wednesday too, for good measure.

He is, of course, sorry she
misses tomorrow, but that is
out of the question. The call is
yielding to heart want, but he does
feel mean.

I am glad your daughter
is coming on so well after
her operation.

With kind remembrances
to you all,

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth W. Roe
Monday afternoon.

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BROADWAY BETWEEN 155TH
AND 156TH STREETS
NEW YORK

July 21, 1927

Mr. Howland Wood,
c/o Mr. John Reilly, Jr.,
Nantucket, Mass.

Dear Mr. Wood:

There has not been much of a business nature to make it necessary for me to write. The usual ~~routine of~~ requests for information on worthless coins have flowed steadily. In addition there have been one or two letters from the British Museum that I have opened to make sure that there was nothing urgent that I could attend to, as well as a letter from Salles, accompanied by the French Lindbergh medal which we put in the exhibition case. This morning there was a letter from Valentine quoting on Indian coins, but none of them involved haste and can all afford to wait until you return.

I hope you are having a good time.

Very truly yours,

Sydney P. Noe
Secretary

SPN:MB

P.S. My intention was to send you a more personal word of thanks, but I have been needed today. Every body doing nicely - thank you. It was a ~~curious~~ operation and this made things ~~unpleasant~~ for one day.

*Yours ever
Sydney P. Noe*

THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
156TH STREET, WEST OF BROADWAY
NEW YORK

July 23, 1927.

Dear Wood:-

Your letter came this morning - you will have received one from me in the meantime. There is little in the way of news. Miss Brucker has left for her two weeks vacation - George is due back on Monday.

Axmacher is sending the plates for the Belden book next Tuesday - I believe the printing is completed and they are waiting for the plates.

I am glad you can stay at Nantucket next week - there is nothing here to call you back. I shall be pretty busy without a stenographer, but what is unimportant can just accumulate.

Improvement steady at home, although my first week's bills left me feeling as though I had undergone the operation.

Enclosed is a telegram and my letter response - sent with Mr. Jewell's approval and forwarded to you in case there is a follow-up.

Yours ever,

Sydney P. Noe

October 21, 1927

Mr. Sydney P. Noe,
c/o Curtis Hotel,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Noe:

Stocksleger has just brought up the changes that you handed him the day you left. Miss Brucker is going through them now and I think everything is all right. There are one or two notes and questions I want to give you. You have with you, I think, one set of page proofs that Stocksleger brought up on Wednesday.

On page 1 over Foreword, he has added the running title, "Metapontum." This, I think, is an improvement. Of course, there will be no running title over page 5, which begins the article.

On page 43, at the bottom of the page, I do not understand what you mean by "formula for 38a," as I can find no 38a.

On page 54, under Descriptions, Stocksleger said you were going to put a star following 1a MWT: and a brief note at the bottom or at the end. What are you going to do here?

On page 89, coin 135, you say "Compare square top with that of No. 135." We have compared it with your notebook and you have in this, "Compare with No. 135." Can you straighten this out?

Stocksleger has reprinted slightly the last three pages of "Notes", so that page 133 now looks better, by throwing note 137 from page 134 to page 133. I hope to give Stocksleger the photographs of coins today or tomorrow.

A letter was received from Rogers with one or two things I do not understand, but as he writes he is fixing it up with Newell, I will straighten this out with Newell.

Mr. Noe

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The pamphlets you ordered from Denmark have come. I have checked them up and handed them with the bill to Miss Tripp. I will later pay the bill. From the Union Square Book Shop, that book on flags, has come. It is not quite as good as I was expecting. I probably would have never bought it if I had seen it first, but this is often the way. It, however, has a number of interesting illustrations. It once belonged to B. J. Tiemann, the man that wrote and gave us the State seals. I will pay this bill, if you say, in the course of time.

We received yesterday from the bookbinder the book on railway medals which evidently did not come in the first lot. He also has returned the corrected bill with the enclosed letter. I will put the bill on your desk as Miss Tripp said not to pay it till you get back.

October 22, 1927

Mr. S. P. Noe,
c/o Curtis Hotel,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Noe:

The enclosed from Vlasto just received.
This is all of moment and interest since my last
letter.

Very truly yours,

HW:MB
Encl.



Dear Mr. Wood:-

Your letter of the 21st reached me yesterday - Sunday.

I agree as to the advisability of adding "Metapontum" as running title on p. one, and with you think it best as it is now for p. ~~5~~ five.

P. 43 - the 38a at the bottom of the page should be 144. 38a is the old number which did not get changed. Thank you for having caught this.

P. 54 Here there should be a note to explain an asterisk placed after the MET of the first line. The note should read: "For explanation of the convention used to record inscr., see p. 43." This should be in the size of type used for the notes - nine point?

P. 89 - coin 135. I think I intended to refer to one of the pieces numbered 136 to 139. If none of these have a square top, change the figure to 141, which does have.

Change in Notes seems all right.

I enclose a letter from Macy which explains itself - in my rush I thought it intended for me.

Bookbinders letter all right - let his bill await my return.

over.

Glad your house - sale went
through all right.

Thank you very much for your
attention to printing details -
will write at greater length
in a day or two.

Yours sincerely
Sydney P. Noel

October 25, 1927

Mr. Sydney P. Noe,
c/o Curtis Hotel,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Noe:

The enclosed letter from Johnson is apparently up to you to answer, as I cannot tell from the data on hand whether the lot is getting a corner lot or one in the middle of a swamp.

I gave Stockelegger the photographs of the Heterontum coins for placing in the text.

Mr. Hewell brought in Rev. Wager's proof yesterday, which Miss Brucker sent off to England.

10th June, 1929

Dear Lee:

I am sending herewith two letters that may interest you. Of course, you know we have a copy of Townsville. There is also in the envelope a registered letter for you from Miami.

Very truly yours,

BEACHSIDE
NANTUCKET, MASSACHUSETTS

Thursday

Dear Mr.

How are things getting along with madame and the twins. Drop me a line and tell me all the news. I hope things have not been crowding up on you too much at the Society and at home.

Drop me a line as to things in general at the Society and especially in re Bildens book. Not having heard a word I take it nothing has not gone wrong with the printing or the cuts.

John wants me to stay here till the last minute and I may do this. Will however be on hand on the first.

John & I have been here all alone but Mrs R. will be back today.

as J R has not been feeling over
anathly we have not been over
streamous. Probably just as well
for me. I have been enjoying
myself and have been doing considerable
archery.

It has been very comfortable
here, none of that hot wave, and
the past 2 days rather cool with a
strong NE wind.

I am pretty well tanned
up, and am feeling fine.

Just because I am not in
NY don't neglect me entirely
with best regards to Mrs N.

and the twins

Sincerely

Lawrence

September 17, 1934.

Mr. Sydney P. Roe
Bishop Place
New Brunswick, N. J.

Dear Sir:

There is a package at Station H for Doris Raymond from an unknown person containing plaster casts on which there is custom duty of seventy cents plus fifteen cents for charges, making eighty-five cents. Is it worth while to try to get this in duty free and if so do we have to fill out a lot of papers or simply write the Customs people a letter? This package unfortunately was marked for Doris Raymond. If you think best we can pay the eighty-five cents and let it go at that.

Very truly yours,

H:JC

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BROADWAY BETWEEN 155TH
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NEW YORK

February 3, 1936.

Mr. Lee O. Lawrie
149 E. 119th Street
New York City.

Dear Mr. Lawrie:

The Medallic Art Company, in accordance with a practice of many years standing, has offered to strike for the collection of the American Numismatic Society the medal listed below, provided that your permission can be obtained:

NATIONAL COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS - CHARLES MOORE.

We hope that it will be agreeable to you to accord this permission which, as you will see, is a means whereby we seek to keep our exhibition of this material up to date.

Sincerely yours,

Sydney P. Noe

SN:JG

Secretary

*Dear Mr. Noe
I am sure that The Commission
of Fine Arts and Mr. Moore will be
as glad as I shall be to have a
copy of this medal preserved
by your Society. Sincerely yours
Lee Lawrie*

RENE P. CHAMBELLAN
ARCHITECTURAL MODELER AND SCULPTOR
332 EAST 39TH STREET
NEW YORK

February 4, 1936.

The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway and 156th St.,
New York, N. Y.

Attention Mr. Sydney P. Noe.

Gentlemen:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter
of February 3rd, asking for permission to have the Med-
allic Art Co. strike off medals for your collection of:

Minneapolis - Honeywell Regulation, and
Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co.

I gladly give you my permission to do this,
and thank you for your courtesy in the matter.

Very truly yours,

Enc.

Rene P. Chambellan.

- Rene P. Chambellan

Gaetano Cecere, Sculptor
412 West 33rd Street
New York

February 4th, 1936.

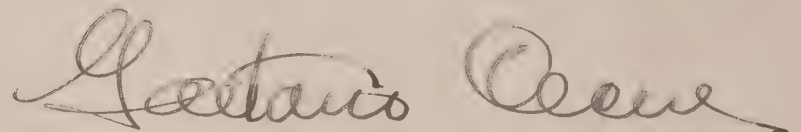
Mr. Sydney P. Noe;
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway and 156th St.,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Noe:

In answer to your letter dated February 3d.
I gladly grant permission to include in your Numismatic
collection my "American Academy in Rome Collaborative Medal".

Thanking you sincerely for your interest,

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Gaetano Cecere". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "Yours very truly,".

ARC.

February 4th, 1936

The American Numismatic Society
Broadway between 155th & 156th Sts.
New York City

Attention of Mr. S. Noe

Dear Mr. Noe:

In answer to your letter of February 3rd, I want you to know that I am more than pleased to have you receive one of my medals commemorating the American Bison.

I feel that it is one of the highest compliments that could be paid to my work, and I only hope that it will be a worthy addition to your wonderful collection of medals.

I would like to make a certain point clear, however, and that is that I am the owner and sponsor of this medal. The American Bison Society, as you referred to

the medal in your letter, has no connection whatsoever with my medal, so that I do not want you to be mislead in your data associated with my medal.

Thank you so much for the interest that you have taken in my work, and I hope that some day soon, I will be able to add another medal to your wonderful collection.

Sincerely yours

RWB:ED

Ruth Walker Brooks

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Mr. Sydney P. Noe, Sec.
for the Am. Numismatic Soc.

Dear Mr. Noe

It gives me pleasure,
that The Medallist Art Co. wishes
to send a copy of my Howard Crosby
Warren medal to your Society,
and that The Society is willing
to accept this medal.

Sincerely
Harriet Heath Mayor
Princeton, N.J.
February fifth,
1934

Jorgen C. Dreyer
3721 Michigan Avenue
Kansas City, Missouri.

February 5, 1936.

The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway and 156th Street,
New York, N. Y.

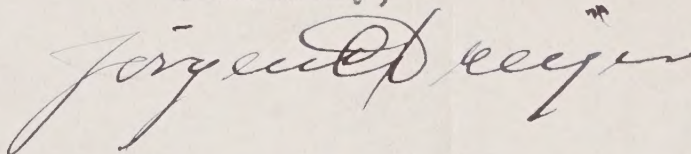
Attention Mr. Sydney P. Noe.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of February 3rd.

In regard to the Bishop Lillis Medal, you have my permission to include this medal in the American Numismatic Society's Collection, and I am pleased to have you do so.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Jorgen C. Dreyer". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "Jorgen C. Dreyer".

JCD:G

DR. EDWARD M. HANRAHAN, JR.

715 PARK AVENUE

BALTIMORE, MD.

February 6, 1936

Mr. Sydney P. Noe
American Numismatic Society
Broadway and 156th Street
New York City

Dear Mr. Noe:

I have written to Mr. Trees, of the Medallie Art Company,
in further amplification of my permission to have a Gordon
Wilson Medal struck off for the American Numismatic Society.
I am very glad indeed to have this included in your collection.

Very sincerely yours,

Edward M. Hanrahan, Jr.

Riverside, Oxford, Conn.

Feb. 13, 1936.

Mr. Sidney P. Roe

The American Humane Society

Broadway at 156th St.

New York City.

Dear Mr. Roe:

I am replying to your letter of Feb. 3rd.

It is with pleasure, to grant
my permission, if you use for
the material listed below in your
collection.

"The Federated Garden Club. of Connecticut"

Sincerely Yours.

Paul S. Nelson

HARROLD E. GILLINGHAM
432 WEST PRICE STREET
GERMANTOWN, PHILADELPHIA

15th December 1937

Mr. Sydney P. Noe
American Numismatic Society
New York City.

Dear Mr. Noe:-

I am afraid I am unable to give any additional data regarding Mr. Guille's queries other than what Mr. Wood has noted on the sheets (which I return), and as you are sending him "Ephemeral Decorations" that will answer his questions regarding those decorations.

You know I have no books whatever on the subject of Medals or Decorations, having given the Society most of them in my library and the others were sold when I parted with my collection. (Which I often regret!!)

I am enclosing a piece of ribbon which I doubt he has. The first ribbon of the Army Medal of Honour of the United States. Some years ago I bought from the makers of the first Medal of Honour all the ribbon they had left (possibly about three yards, and I've helped other collectors out now and then, until there is little left. But it may interest Mr. Guille. Send it to him with my compliments.

As to the "Central American" Decorations, tell him you have my manuscript (since the South American was first sent you) and you've done nothing with it.

Sincerely yours,

Harrold E. Gillingham.